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Junior Vice-President.....	Lydia Souders,	
Past President.....	Mary W. Hill,	
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INSTITUTED MAY 14, 1885.

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Junior Vice-President.....	Elizabeth Shupert,

Past President.....	Carrie Harper,
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INSTITUTED MAY 26, 1885.

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Junior Vice-President.....	Alice Knott,
Past President.....	Anna E. Upson,
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Past President.....	Lida Warren,
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(INSTITUTED OCT. 20, 1885.)

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( INSTITUTED MAY 13, 1890.)

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(INSTITUTED DEC. 1, 1885.)

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 " " ..... Anna Short.

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 Senior Vice-President..... Louisa O. Binnamore,  
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 Past President..... Amanda A. Brown,  
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(INSTITUTED FEB. 11, 1886.)

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 Junior Vice-President..... Indiana Lewis,  
 Past President.....\*Rhoda A. Hannah,  
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 " " .....\*Martha A. Little.

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 Past President.....\*Martha Little,  
 " " ..... Anna Tucker,  
 " " ..... Orpha Scott,  
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Past President .....	Mattie Beidler,
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Chloe Kennedy.

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President .....	Anna Gresham,
Senior Vice-President .....	Ella Milton,
Junior Vice-President .....	Miriam Royse,
Past President .....	Amanda Reyman,
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“ “ .....	Lavina Richards,
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## J. H. DANSEUR, No. 29, LAGRANGE.

(INSTITUTED FEB. 25, 1886.)

President .....	*Agnes R. White,
Senior Vice-President .....	Mary Galloway,
Junior Vice-President .....	Rachel Munger,
Past President .....	Agnes R. White.

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Junior Vice-President .....	Anna Miller,
Past President .....	Margaret Justice.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

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Jennie Stukely.

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(INSTITUTED JANUARY 23, 1887.)

President ..... \*Kate Sterne,  
Senior Vice-President..... Mary Taylor,  
Junior Vice-President..... Julia S. Duncan,  
Past President..... Martha B. Craig,  
" " ..... Mary L. Wright.

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*Alternate.*

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Ellen Epperson.

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(INSTITUTED MARCH 19, 1886.)

President ..... Laura Crider,  
Senior Vice-President..... Lulu Miller,  
Junior Vice-President..... Chloe Erwin,  
Past President..... Maggie Welker,  
" " ..... Laura Crider,  
" " ..... Anna Kidder.

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*Alternate.*

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Alma Miller.

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(INSTITUTED APRIL 22, 1886.)

President ..... Esther Farquhar,  
Senior Vice-President..... Iza M. Lemaux,  
Junior Vice-President..... Sarah Milliken,  
Past President..... Emma Stratton,  
" " ..... Lizzie Gegner.

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*Alternate.*

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(INSTITUTED APRIL 28, 1886.)

President ..... \*Eunice Kelly,  
Senior Vice-President..... Ella Sharp,  
Junior Vice-President..... Addie Shannabarger,  
Past President..... \*Laura B. Edmon,  
" " ..... Eunice Kelly.

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*Alternate.*

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(INSTITUTED MAY 25, 1886.)

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 Junior Vice-President..... Kate Kuntz,  
 Past President..... Melissa A. Hume,  
 " " ..... Anna Vogeli.

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(INSTITUTED JULY 5, 1887.)

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 Senior Vice-President..... Alpha Dutter,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Delia Brown,  
 Past President..... Lizzie Townsend.

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 Senior Vice-President..... Susie Miller,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Martha Thompkins,  
 Past President..... \*Millie Croucher,

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\*Martha Thompkins.

*Alternate.*

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(INSTITUTED JULY 14, 1886.)

President ..... \*Martha J. Wasson,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Libbie J. Alter,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Mary Bates,  
 Past President..... Julia A. Healy,  
 " " ..... Vena F. Antrim,  
 " " ..... Hettie E. Reynolds.

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Junior Vice-President..... Harriet Thompson,  
Past President.....\*Little Snyder,  
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Junior Vice-President.....	Lizzie Minnic,
Past President.....	Julia Bryant,
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“ “ .....	Lou Hanley,
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Past President.....	Belle Ingersoll,	
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“ “ .....	*Melissa Drummond,	
“ “ .....	*Ida Morrison.	

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*Alternate.*

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Maggie Breyer.



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Junior Vice-President.....	Isa Myers,
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" "	Anna Salmond, Transferred from Isham Keith No. 69,

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Junior Vice-President.....	Eliza Howard,
Past President.....	*Anna Larsh,
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(INSTITUTED JAN. 27, 1887.)

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Junior Vice-President.....	Mary E. Cook,
Past President.....	Ellen Murray,
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" "	Margaret Ginger,
" "	Maggie Beeson.

*Delegates.**Alternates.*

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*Alice Engle.	Margaret Klinch.

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(INSTITUTED MARCH 14, 1887.)

President .....	Maggie Deacon,
Senior Vice-President.....	Hattie L. Shurtz,
Junior Vice-President.....	Emma Miller,
Past President.....	Kate V. Loomis,
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(INSTITUTED JAN. 27, 1888.)

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Junior Vice-President.....	Mary James,
Past President.....	Hattie Grace, Transferred from A. O. Bachman No. 6,
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(INSTITUTED APRIL 5, 1890.)

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Junior Vice-President.....	Clarinđa Keorner,
Past President.....	Unie Hinkle.

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

America Ferguson.

Maggie Barker.

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(INSTITUTED APRIL 29, 1887.)

President .....	*Ann E. Haymond,
Senior Vice-President.....	Emma Vanostran,
Junior Vice-President.....	Martha Lympus,
Past President.....	*Sallie Antle,
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“ “ .....	*Sarah Romerill.

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

\*Elizabeth L. Griffey.

Susannah Morgan.



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(INSTITUTED MAY 4, 1887.)

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 Senior Vice-President..... Mary J. Wood,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Margaret Stoner,  
 Past President..... Mary J. Wood,  
 " " ..... \*Rachel L. Traster,  
 " " ..... Mary E. Bogear.

*Delegates.**Alternates.*

\*Elizabeth McLaughlin. Marilla Shrieve.

## KING DAVID No. 53, MT. VERNON.

(INSTITUTED APRIL 29, 1890.)

President ..... Anna Morgan,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Anna Hoad,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Hattie Thomas,  
 Past President..... Anna Hoad,

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Parthenia Townsend. Anna Hoad.

## WILLIAM SMITH No. 54, SHERIDAN.

(INSTITUTED MAY 6, 1887.)

President ..... \*Lou Cox,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Phemia Haughey,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Angie McKenzie,  
 Past President..... \*Jane Kercheval,  
 " " ..... Sue Cropper.

*Delegates.**Alternates.*

\*Nettie Davenport. Emma Steffey.

## WARRICK No. 55, NEWBURGH.

(REORGANIZED JUNE 17, 1887.)

President ..... Jennie Lewis,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Matilda Burns,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Mrs. Bristolow,

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

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## S. K. HARRYMAN No. 56, MOORESVILLE.

(INSTITUTED MAY 24, 1887.)

President ..... \*Emma J. Clark,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Hattie Johnson, '  
 Junior Vice-President..... Mary Arnold,  
 Past President..... Lavicy H. Scott,  
 " " ..... \*Amanda Williams.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Elvira H. Perce.

Martha Burk.

## HENRY C. COULTER No. 57, RUSSIAVILLE.

(INSTITUTED JUNE 21, 1887.)

President ..... Lida Thomas,  
 Senior Vice-President..... \*Bessie Douglass,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Mahala McKinney,  
 Past President..... Lida Thomas,  
 " " ..... Jennie E. Sherwin.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Francis Haun.

Emma Wright.

## JUDSON KILPATRICK No. 58, FREEMONT.

(INSTITUTED JULY 8, 1887.)

President ..... Marion White,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Martha Micheal,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Alice Swick,  
 Past President..... Marion White.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Hattie Rantz.

Susan Kinsey.

## GEO. W. STOUGH No. 59, COLUMBIA CITY.

(INSTITUTED JAN. 15, 1889.)

President ..... Mollie North,  
 Senior Vice-President..... \*Adelia Hunter,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Caddie Gertig,  
 Past President..... Siddie Heacock.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Emma Kinsley.

Jennie Collins.

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(INSTITUTED JULY 7, 1887.)

President ..... \*Alice P. Pierson,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Ella Runyan,



President . . . . . Nettie Duncan,

Senior Vice-President..... Kate G. Poulson,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Margaretta Hudson,  
 Past President..... Mary E. Hart.

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

Mary E. Comstock.

\*Susannah Trulock.

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(INSTITUTED AUG. 10, 1887.)

President..... Viretta E. Northcut,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Mattie McCormick,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Zura Bastmess,  
 Past President..... Nancy J. McCormick,  
 " "..... Clara Lemon,  
 " "..... Alice Leslie.

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

Alice Leslie.

Nancy J. McCormick.

WARREN BANTA No. 66, LIBERTY MILLS.

(INSTITUTED APRIL 26, 1889.)

President..... Sarah Robbins,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Ella Robbins,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Rebecca Cordier,  
 Past President..... \*Amanda D. Anderson,  
 " "..... \*Alice Cook.

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

\*Helen Steele.

Matilda Kuse.

GIRARD No. 67, MONON.

(INSTITUTED JAN. 29, 1889.)

President..... \*Dora E. Lyman,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Clara Rhoner,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Cora Horner,  
 Past President..... Dora Lyman.

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

\*Etta Rockwood.

Kate Ball.

JOEL WOLF No. 68, RUSHVILLE.

(INSTITUTED AUG. 26, 1887.)

President..... \*Lou S. Havens,



Senior Vice-President..... Josie Webb,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Helen Wilson,  
 Past President.....\*India Hackleman,  
 " " ..... Lou S. Havens.  
*Delegate.* *Alternate.*  
 Mary E. Conover. Sue E. Study.

## MAJOR MAY No. 70, ANDERSON.

(INSTITUTED AUG. 26, 1887.)

President.....\*Hettie Forkner,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Minnie McKeown,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Mary Taylor,  
 Past President..... Ida Hauslauter,  
 " " ..... Minnie McKeown,  
*Delegate.* *Alternate.*  
 \*Virginia Pierce. Luella Poling.

## FAIRFAX No. 71, WESTFIELD.

(INSTITUTED AUG. 29, 1887.)

President.....\*Etta Houk,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Nina Cook,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Nettie Wink,  
 Past President..... Mary Moore,  
 " " .....\*Rebecca Herr,  
 " " ..... Rosa Chance,  
*Delegate.* *Alternate.*  
 \*Elizabeth E. Ellis. Emily J. Pfaff.

## LOOKOUT No. 72, NOBLESVILLE.

(INSTITUTED AUG. 30, 1887.)

President..... Sallie Hines,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Sallie Householder,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Tillie Hayes,  
 Past President..... Kate Russell,  
 " " .....\*Melissa Caylor,  
 " " .....\*Huldah Taylor.  
*Delegates.* *Alternates.*  
 \*Sarah Metsker, Cornelia Bauchert,  
 Eliza Fisher. Elizabeth Ross.

## BOONE No. 73. ZIONSVILLE.

(INSTITUTED OCT. 29, 1889.)

President ..... Louisa Gates,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Mary Pock,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Cornelia Laughlin,  
 Past President..... Nancy J. Duffey

*Delegates.**Alternates.*

\*Elizabeth Ferrel.

Cornelia Laughlin.

## McPHERSON No. 74. CRAWFORDSVILLE.

(INSTITUTED AUG. 29, 1887.)

President ..... Annie E. Ambrose,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Ella Brower,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Jennie Hutchinson,  
 Past President..... \*Mary D. Travis,  
 " " ..... Hettie A. Talbot,  
 " " ..... Mary E. Griffith.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Lizzie Tinsley.

Maggie Crist.

## PERRYVILLE No. 75. BROAD RIPPLE.

(INSTITUTED SEPT. 1, 1887.)

President ..... \*Louie Dawso,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Anna Whitsell,  
 Junior Vice-President..... America Wright,  
 Past President..... \*Catherine Craig,  
 " " ..... Mary DeFord,  
 " " ..... Lydia Boardman.

*Delegates.**Alternates.*

Cinna Whitsell.

\*Anna Jackson.

## MAJOR PATTON No. 76. VEVAY.

(INSTITUTED SEPT. 7, 1887.)

President ..... Belle Teats,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Rebekah Cole,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Josephine Simpson,  
 Past President..... T. H. Ward,  
 " " ..... E. H. Adkinson.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Mary Jayner.

Dora Wostell.

## STEPHEN J. BAILY, PORTLAND.

(INSTITUTED SEPT. 7, 1887.)

President .....	Mary E. Headington.
Senior Vice-President.....	May Boltin,
Junior Vice-President.....	Lydia Bergman,
Past President.....	Mattie J. Mellinger,
" " .....	Nancy Gilpin,
" " .....	Carrie Bruner,
" " .....	Anna P. Davis.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Alice Smith.

Ava Hawkins.

## JAMES PRICE No. 78, TIPTON.

(INSTITUTED SEPT. 13, 1887.)

President .....	*Jennie Young,
Senior Vice-President.....	Catherine Booth,
Junior Vice-President.....	Madova Ives,
Past President.....	Melissa Swoveland,
" " .....	Amanda Bowlin,
" " .....	*Tabitha Lynch,

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Caroline Haas.

Elizabeth Paul.

## VETERAN No. 79, WINAMAC.

(INSTITUTED SEPT. 3, 1887.)

President .....	Ellen Agnew,
Senior Vice-President.....	Mary Carper,
Junior Vice-President.....	Sarah Sovers,
Past President.....	Maggie Wall,
" " .....	Malinda Burson,
" " .....	Ellen Agnew.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Mary Gates,

Anna Ewing,

## BENNETT No. 80, KEWANNA.

(INSTITUTED SEPT. 8, 1887.)

President .....	Melissa Harvey,
Senior Vice-President.....	— Finley,
Junior Vice-President.....	— Skinner,
Past President.....	Sarah J. Urbin,
" " .....	*Mary Hilton.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Blanche Washburn.

Sarah Urbin.



FAHLER No. 81, STAR CITY.  
(INSTITUTED SEPT. 15, 1887.)

President .....	Frank Noland,
Senior Vice-President.....	Sarah M. Dunn,
Junior Vice-President.....	Margaret Clinger,
Past President.....	Jennie Minton,
“ “ .....	Anna Heward.
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
Malinda Heward.	Fanny Low.

MILES H. TIBBETS No. 82, PLYMOUTH.  
(INSTITUTED SEPT. 8, 1887.)

President .....	Mary Wilcox,
Senior Vice-President.....	Anna Bonham,
Junior Vice-President.....	Lucy Pomeroy,
Past President.....	Emma Force,
“ “ .....	*R. Sevina Haughton.
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
Elizabeth Sathimore.	Mary Thayer.

JOHN WHEELER No. 83, CROWN POINT.  
(INSTITUTED FEB. 7, 1889.)

President .....	*Alice C. Wheeler,
Senior Vice-President.....	Lydia Atkin,
Junior Vice-President.....	Martha Sherman,
Past President.....	Alice Wheeler.
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Clara M. Clark.	Belle Farley.

STONE RIVER. No. 84, FRANKFORT.  
(INSTITUTED SEPT. 16, 1887.)

President .....	*Mary Sims,
Senior Vice-President.....	Emma Sims,
Junior Vice-President.....	Edith Paige,
Past President.....	Augusta Adams
“ “ .....	Nannie Clark.
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Lizzie Lee.	Frankie Hinds.

## DAVID K. STOPHER No. 86, HARLAN.

(INSTITUTED SEPT. 13, 1887.)

President ..... \*Elmira Hood,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Helen Perkins,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Martha Price,  
 Past President..... Elmira Hood,

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Mary Lake.

## LEW DAILY No. 87, BLUFFTON.

(INSTITUTED OCT. 25, 1887.)

President ..... Nancy Spencer,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Margaret Spake,  
 Junior Vice-President..... \*Lizzie Wasson,  
 Past President..... Mary J. Wisner,  
 " " ..... Martha J. Waring.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Elizabeth C. Bender.

Ella Gilbert.

## JEFF. C. DAVIS No. 88, VINCENNES.

(INSTITUTED OCT. 22, 1887.)

President ..... \*Fannie E. Wallace,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Mary Kitchell,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Jane Dubois,  
 Past President..... H. M. McCorkle,  
 " " ..... Anna E. McCoy,  
 " " ..... Fannie E. Wallace.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Sarah Starks.

Blanche Palmer.

## BEN. NORTH No. 89, RISING SUN.

(INSTITUTED NOV. 7, 1887.)

President ..... Belle Lemon,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Clara Bounell,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Margaret Epsey,  
 Past President..... \*Mary A. Scott,  
 " " ..... Fannie A. Coles,

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Eliza Soggin.

Margaret Epsey.

## WINCHESTER No. 90, GOSPORT.

(INSTITUTED NOV. 4, 1887.)

President ..... \*Laura Stines,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Hessie Dagley,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Belle Boyd,  
 Past President..... Lou Thompson.

*Delegate.*

\*Alice Criss.

*Alternate.*

\*Cora Campbell.

## MEADE No. 91, BUTLER.

(INSTITUTED NOV. 30, 1887.)

President ..... Tavea Taylor,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Ella Ocker,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Edna Diehl,  
 Past President..... Irene Brown,  
 " " ..... Jennie Gregg,  
 " " ..... Almira Dailey.

*Delegate.*

Sarah Hazlett.

*Alternate.*

Edna Diehl.

## PAUL E. SLOCUM No. 92, BLOOMINGTON.

(INSTITUTED NOV. 8, 1887.)

President ..... \*Julia R. Braxton,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Endora Shoemaker,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Margaret J. McCoy,  
 Past President..... Sarah E. Pittman,  
 " " ..... \*Mary J. Mulky,  
 " " ..... Julia R. Braxton.

*Delegate.*

Mary E. Brodex.

*Alternate.*

Pauline N. Pearson.

## JOHN A. PLATTER No. 93, AURORA.

(INSTITUTED NOV. 29, 1889.)

President ..... Charlotte Rectanus,  
 Senior Vice-President..... America Wood,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Ida West,  
 Past President..... Charlotte Rectanus.

*Delegate.*

Matilda Edmunston.

*Alternate.*

Emma Fenton.



## T. J. HARRISON No. 94, KOKOMO.

(INSTITUTED Nov. 10, 1887.)

President .....\*Laura Kalter,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Lillie Hall,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Minnie Hodgen,  
 Past President..... Clara T. Young,  
 " " ..... Bessie G. Cox,  
 " " .....\*Mary D. Michener.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Etta L. Wykes.

Sarah A. Elliott,

## FRANKLIN No. 95, HORTONVILLE.

(INSTITUTED Nov. 15, 1887.)

President ..... Minnie Aldred,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Dora Tingle,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Birdie Cutts,  
 Past President..... Minnie Aldred,  
 " " .....\*Nancy Moore.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Amanda Sumner.

Laura Blanton.

## GEO. W. LEONARD No. 96, NEW CASTLE.

(INSTITUTED DEC. 7, 1887.)

President .....\*Christina B. Shelley,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Sallie A. Curry,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Carrie W. Livezey,  
 Past President..... Kate Pence,  
 " " ..... Christina B. Shelley.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Gertrude L. Mitchell.

Hulda Parker.

## BOOTHROYED No. 97, DELPHI.

(INSTITUTED DEC. 22, 1887.)

President .....\*Emma C. Taylor,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Martha Fortwangler,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Laura E. Baum.  
 Past President..... Frances A. Morrow.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Sarah H. Julien.

Keren Generick.

## OLIVER SHORT No. 98, ROSSVILLE.

(INSTITUTED DEC. 20, 1887.)

President ..... \*Rettie Klaus,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Julia A. McDaniel,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Sarah Morton,  
 Past President..... Carrie Dietrich,  
 " " ..... Emma C. White,  
 " " ..... Mary Smith.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Emma Stephenson.

Inez Smith.

## MONROE LAYMAN, No. 99, WARREN.

(INSTITUTED APRIL 16, 1890.)

President ..... Lydia A. Worley,  
 Senior Vice-President..... \*Eliza Spurgeon,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Ellen Collins,  
 Past President..... \*Eliza A Spurgeon.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Rose Young.

Sarah Devore.

## WILLIAM A. BOYD No. 100, DUBLIN.

(INSTITUTED DEC. 31, 1887.)

President ..... \*Mattie Henry,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Sarah Demree,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Martha Weast,  
 Past President..... \*Frances S. John,  
 " " ..... Lucy Develin.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Jane V. Henry.

Kate Gilbert.

## G. H. ROBINSON No. 101, SOMERSET.

(INSTITUTED APRIL 20, 1889.)

President ..... Frances Freewee,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Ruth Miller,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Elizabeth Murray,  
 Past President..... Frances Freewee.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Carrie O'Neal.

Margaret Harvey.

## SPENCER No. 102, ROCKPORT.

(INSTITUTED JAN. 10, 1888.)

President .....	Maggie Hurst,
Senior Vice-President.....	Barbara Feigel,
Junior Vice-President.....	Julia Bettis,
Past President.....	Henrie G. Kincheloe,
“ “ .....	Mattie Enlow,
“ “ .....	Angie Balderson.

*Delegate.*

Julia Bettis.

*Alternate.*

Fanny Hudson.

## SHIVELY No. 103, HUNTINGBURG.

(INSTITUTED MAY 7, 1890.)

President .....	Louise C. Schreeder,
Senior Vice-President.....	Alice G. Williams,
Junior Vice-President.....	Catherine Montgomery,
Past President.....	Louise C. Schreeder.

*Delegate.*

Lizzie McMahan.

*Alternate.*

Catherine Montgomery.

## HIRAM G. FISHER, No. 104, LAPEL.

(INSTITUTED FEB. 11, 1888.)

President .....	*Louisa Jones,
Senior Vice-President.....	Mary Ray,
Junior Vice-President.....	Mary Sears,
Past President.....	Tillie Studley,
“ “ .....	Frances Miller.
“ “ .....	*Emma Myrick.

*Delegate.*

\*Mattie Gibbs.

*Alternate.*

Rica Wachstetter.

## STILLWELL No. 105, COLFAX.

(INSTITUTED FEB. 17, 1888.)

President .....	Ann E. Harbaugh,
Senior Vice-President.....	Sarah Ghent,
Junior Vice-President.....	Ann Gardner,
Past President.....	Sarah Ghent,
“ “ .....	Ann E. Harbaugh.

*Delegate.*

\*Jennie Goldberry.

*Alternate.*

Jennie Blocker.



## GETTYSBURG No. 106, SPENCER.

(INSTITUTED MARCH 16, 1888.)

President ..... Lucy Patrick,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Carrie Daggy,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Jennie Stewart,  
 Past President..... \*Mahala Beem,  
 " ..... Lida H. Boswell.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

May W. Edwards.

Lulie Hutchinson.

## PUT EVANS 108, SHARPSVILLE.

(INSTITUTED APRIL 30, 1889.)

President ..... \*Julia A. Harper,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Nancy Needham,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Sallie Grishaw,  
 Past President..... Joan Richardson,  
 " ..... Julia A. Harper.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Sallie Grishaw.

Mary E. Ulrick.

## HACKLKMAN No. 110, BROOKVILLE.

(INSTITUTED APRIL 18, 1888.)

President ..... Mattie K. Sheppard,  
 Senior Vice-President..... \_\_\_\_\_,  
 Junior Vice-President..... \_\_\_\_\_,  
 Past President..... India Hutchinson,  
 " ..... Mattie K. Sheppard,

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

## LEAMON GRIFFITH No. 111, HAMILTON.

(INSTITUTED APRIL 25, 1887.)

President ..... Julia Griffith,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Lucretia Gurtner,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Louisa Renner,  
 Past President..... Louisa C. Renner,  
 " ..... M. E. Husselman.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Lucy Dirrim.

## JESSE S. OGDEN No. 112, DANVILLE.

(INSTITUTED MAY 18, 1888.)

President .....	*Mary Hadley,
Senior Vice-President.....	Alice S. Pike,
Junior Vice-President.....	Cora Farabee,
Past President.....	Mary A. Ogden,
" " .....	*Josephine Thomas,
" " .....	Dee M. White.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Rhoda J. Chase.

Emma Welshans.

## PAP THOMAS No. 113, GREENSBURG.

(INSTITUTED MAY 21, 1888.)

President .....	*Eliza J. Crisler,
Senior Vice-President.....	Flora B. Tice,
Junior Vice-President.....	Mary E. Hearne,
Past President.....	*Louisa M. Bone,
" " .....	Eliza J. Crisler.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Mattie Elliott.

Ella Stephenson.

## GEO. MILLER No. 114, WINDFALL.

(INSTITUTED JUNE 29, 1888.)

President .....	*E. J. Vise,
Senior Vice-President.....	Susan Zeek,
Junior Vice-President.....	Sarah Sanders,
Past President.....	Lucinda Miller,
" " .....	Allie Riffe,
" " .....	Naomi Austin.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Mahala Dean.

Ida Perry.

## LESLIE No. 115, SEELEYSVILLE.

(INSTITUTED JUNE 26, 1888.)

President .....	Sarah J. Hamilton,
Senior Vice-President.....	Osie Carter,
Junior Vice-President.....	Mary Schmaken,
Past President.....	Rachel Ripley,
" " .....	Anna Dickerson,
" " .....	Sarah J. Hamilton.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Lee A. Carmichael.

Anna Reed.

## FRANK JONES No. 116, TRENTON.

(INSTITUTED MAY 10, 1890.)

President .....	Mary A. Conyers,
Senior Vice-President.....	Phebe C. Sterling,
Junior Vice-President.....	Anna Keppler,
Past President.....	Phebe C. Sterling.
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
Josie Gwin,	Fanny Stevenson.

## ELWOOD No. 117, ELWOOD.

(INSTITUTED JULY 25, 1888.)

President .....	Sue Foland,
Senior Vice-President.....	Sarah Snelson,
Junior Vice-President.....	Mollie Stineback,
Past President.....	Sarah Snelson,
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Mollie Hackleman.	Mollie Stineback.

## MARTIN DELANEY No. 118, INDIANAPOLIS.

(INSTITUTED MAY 28, 1890.)

President .....	*Maria Housley,
Senior Vice-President.....	Anna Hughes,
Junior Vice-President.....	Frances Gibbs,
Past President.....	Mary Palmer.
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Anna Hughes.	Frances Gibbs.

## WILLIAMS No. 119, MUNCIE.

(INSTITUTED JULY 19, 1888.)

President .....	*Carrie D. Hageman,
	■ (662 E. Wash. st.),
Senior Vice-President.....	Della Shewmaker,
Junior Vice-President.....	Hattie Patterson,
Past President.....	Clara McClung,
" " .....	*Julia Richey.
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Sarah Wildman.	Jennie Jewett.



## BENTON No. 120, FOWLER.

(INSTITUTED AUG 3, 1888.)

President ..... Elizabeth Rogers,  
 Senior Vice-President..... C. Edith Hampton,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Ella Portens,  
 Past President..... Elizabeth Longwell.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Clara Clark.

Alice Green.

## JOE COOK No. 121. LYNN.

(INSTITUTED MAY 10, 1889.)

President ..... Emma Conley,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Kate Mercer,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Rebecca Nichols,  
 Past President..... Anna Parry,  
 " " ..... Emma Conley.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Alice Nichols.

\*Emma Nichols.

## COL. JOHN F. GRILL, No. 122, EVANSVILLE,

(INSTITUTED MAY 6, 1889.)

President ..... \*Sarah A. Williams.  
 Senior Vice-President..... Elizabeth Harvey,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Henrietta Kelly,  
 Past President..... Anna H. Brink.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Elizabeth Harvey.

## STAUNTON No. 123, STAUNTON.

(INSTITUTED MAY 18, 1889.)

President ..... \*Victoria McClintock,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Anna Burkett,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Mollie Booth,  
 Past President..... Mattie O'Conner.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Emma Glaspe.

Jennie Williams.

JACOB STAHL No. 124, HARTFORD CITY.  
(INSTITUTED MAY 22, 1889.)

President .....	Emily Gable,
Senior Vice-President.....	Ann Stout,
Junior Vice-President.....	Sarah Mason,
Past President.....	Delilah A. Stahl.
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
Sarah Moran.	Hannah Edson,

RICH MOUNTAIN No. 125, LEBANON,  
(INSTITUTED JUNE 29, 1889.)

President .....	*Amy Wright,
Senior Vice-President.....	Martha Ludlow,
Junior Vice-President.....	Lizzie McCorkle,
Past President.....	Lizzie J. Thompson,
" "	Carrie L. Olive.
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Addie M. Williams.	Mollie Felton.

GOODLAND No. 126, GOODLAND.  
(INSTITUTED SEPT. 3, 1889.)

President .....	Mary Jenkins,
Senior Vice-President.....	Hilda Monty,
Junior Vice-President.....	Mary Potter,
Past President.....	Mary Jenkins.
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
Agnes Perry.	*Sarah Skiff.

GEORGE WRIGHT No. 127, CLARK'S HILL.  
(INSTITUTED NOV. 29, 1889.)

President .....	Nettie Wall,
Senior Vice-President.....	Luella McCorkrill,
Junior Vice-President.....	Serena Parish,
Past President.....	Nettie Wall.
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Mattie Yeaman.	Ella Caun.

BEESON No. 128, FAIRMOUNT.  
(INSTITUTED DEC. 10, 1889.)

President .....	Delilah Hollingsworth,
Senior Vice-President.....	Ursula Johnson,

Junior Vice-President..... Jennie W. Jones.  
 Past President..... Delilah Hollingsworth.

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

\*Clementine Brookshire.

Mary Settle.

CARROLL No. 129, STOCKWELL.

(INSTITUTED JAN. 7, 1890.)

President.....\*Florida C. Murphy,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Lizzie Hammel,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Susan Ward,  
 Past President..... Florida C. Murphy.

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

\*Lizzie Fickle.

Minerva Curtner.

MARTIN No. 130, WESTVILLE.

(INSTITUTED JAN. 7, 1890.)

President..... Linda E. Webster,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Mattie Terwilliger,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Mina Hilton,  
 Past President..... Linda Webster.

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

Mina Hilton.

GEO. W. RADER No. 131, MIDDLETOWN.

(INSTITUTED JAN. 8, 1890.)

President.....\*Ollituppa Unger,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Alice Shoemaker,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Mattie Craven,  
 Past President..... Ora Van Cleave.

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

Mary Van Tuyl.

\*Rose Pickering.

HARMON RAYL No. 133, SPICELAND.

(INSTITUTED FEB. 26, 1890.)

President.....\*Lida E. Saint,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Mary Gorden,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Mary Moore,  
 Past President..... Lida E. Saint.

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

\*Ora Wilson.

Mary E. Moore.



## BOWMAN No. 134, HAGERSTOWN.

(INSTITUTED FEB. 12, 1890.)

President ..... Amanda Hartley,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Lou Conniff,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Lizzie Cheesman,  
 Past President..... Sallie Binckley.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Maggie Dick.

## LOT BLOOMFIELD, No. 136, HAMMOND.

(INSTITUTED FEB. 12, 1890.)

President ..... \*E. Francena Gray,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Mary Nalo,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Maria Pugh,  
 Past President..... \*Mary M. Streeter.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Bertha Mashino.

Maggie Mathers.

## MOSES HERRON No. 137, FARMLAND.

(INSTITUTED FEB. 18, 1890.)

President ..... Hettie Lyst,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Fannie West,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Annie McNees,  
 Past President..... Hettie Lyst.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Mary Driver.

Phebe Clevenger.

## JOHNSON No. 138, MONPELIER.

(INSTITUTED FEB. 26, 1890.)

President ..... Esther Renington,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Martha Hess,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Araminta Naile,  
 Past President..... Esther Renington.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Sarah Bracker.

Lizzie Heward.

## JOHN C. CARNES No. 139, SAINT JOE.

(INSTITUTED FEB. 28, 1890.)

President ..... Emily Widney,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Kate Davis,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Abigail Able,

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

Amand Messe.

Kate A. Leighty.

(INSTITUTED FEB. 25, 1890.)

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

\*Alice Hayes.

(INSTITUTED JULY 8, 1890.)

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

(INSTITUTED JULY 19, 1890.)

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

Sale Hughs.

Carrie Andrews.

(INSTITUTED SEPT. 8, 1890.)

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

Nettie Tumey.

## CHICKAMAUGA No. 144, KIRKLIN.

(INSTITUTED OCT. 28, 1890.)

President ..... Kate Beem,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Retta Irwin,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Cora Stowers.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

## V. H. LYONS No. 145, PLAINFILLD.

(INSTITUTED OCT. 21, 1890.)

President .....\*Anna M. Hadley,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Sophia Reagan,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Lou M. Lyons.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Lou M. Lyons.

Sadie T. Worth.

## MORGAN No. 146, PETERSBURG.

(INSTITUTED NOV. 13, 1890.)

President .....\*Kate Coonrod,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Hattie Berridge,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Elizabeth Reed,  
 Past President..... Elizabeth Reed.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Sallie Harris.

Mary Pinney.

## SPICELY No. 147, ORLEANS.

(INSTITUTED NOV. 21, 1890.)

President ..... Marie J. Spicely,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Mahala E. Moore,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Mary J. Cox.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

## ANDREWS No. 148, ANDREWS.

(INSTITUTED DEC. 20, 1890.)

President .....\*Jennie Forbes,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Laura Reed,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Ann Gardner.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

\*Mrs. Emma Manford.



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WORDEN No. 149, ALBION.

(INSTITUTED JAN. 7, 1891.)

President ..... Ella Miller,  
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(INSTITUTED JAN. 22, 1891.)

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(INSTITUTED MARCH 5, 1891.)

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Senior Vice-President..... Alice M. Metsker,  
Junior Vice-President..... Viaginia C. Meredith.

CHARLES SWINDELL No. 152, LARWELL.

(INSTITUTED MARCH 12, 1891.)

President ..... Anna Smith,  
Senior Vice-President..... Harriet Thompson,  
Junior Vice-President..... Helen Bowman.

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(INSTITUTED MARCH 4, 1891.)

President ..... Josephine Cochran,  
Senior Vice-President..... Sophia Fetoe,  
Junior Vice-President..... Bertha Hochstetlar.

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(INSTITUTED MARCH 11, 1891.)

President ..... \*Kate Dove,  
Senior Vice-President..... Kate Bussel,  
Junior Vice-President..... Mary Nichols.

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(INSTITUTED MARCH 18, 1891.)

President .....\*Sarah E. Crowder,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Lizzie Stratton,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Anna M. DeCamp.

## ROBERT E. CALLOWAY No. 156, MILTON.

(INSTITUTED MARCH 21, 1891.)

President ..... Mary E. Griffith,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Melissa Templin,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Ollie Needham.

## MILTON CARTER No. 157, MONROVIA.

(INSTITUTED MARCH 26, 1891.)

President .....\*Nellie K. Lindley,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Ellen Johnson,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Maggie Gosney,

## JOHN M. WILSON No. 158, BUNKER HILL.

(INSTITUTED APRIL 2, 1891.)

President ..... Alice Robbins,  
 Senior Vice-President..... Mary Finney,  
 Junior Vice-President..... Mollie Metzger.

JOURNAL  
OF THE  
EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION  
OF THE  
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,  
DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA.

The Eighth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Indiana, met in Y. M. C. A. Hall, in the city of Indianapolis, at 10:15 a. m., on Tuesday, April 11, 1890, and was called to order by the Department President, Mrs. Melissa Caylor.

All Department officers and all Past Department Presidents were invited to take seats on the platform.

A brief and impressive portion of scripture was read, by Dr. Sallie Jackson, who gracefully officiated as Chaplain of Convention in the absence of Department Chaplain, May J. McCarthy; after which the Convention united in singing "America."

A sufficient number of Corps being represented, the Convention was declared open for the transaction of business.

The President then announced the following officers to serve during the Convention:—

Assistant Department Secretary—Mrs. Sallie Householder.

Chief Conductor—Ida Morrison.

Assistant Conductors—Maggie Varon, Alice Forrest, Annie Milinder, Annie Ray, Maggie Ray, Rachel Wintrowd.

Chief Guard—Grace Mayhew.

Assistant Guards—Lottie Milinder, Ida Mann, Kate Humphry.

While the password was being taken up by the Conductors, the President appointed the following committees:

On Resolutions—Emily J. Butterfield, Laura Hess, E. Francena Gray.

On President's Address, Senior and Junior Vice-President's Reports—Helen Ensley, Josephine Thomas, Frances Johns.

On Secretary, Treasurer and Chaplain's Reports—Sallie Haskell, Belle Bishop, Sue Davinson.

On Inspector, I. and I. Officer and Counselor's Reports—Julia R. Braxton, Bessie Cox, Carrie Hageman.

On Reception and Telegrams—Jennie Myheroff, Agnes Hitt, Loretta J. Gorsuch, Flora Wulschner.

The Committee on Credentials, as previously appointed in General Order No. 11, was formally announced as follows:

Mary A. Boyd, Dept. Secy.

Belle Bristow, Dept. I. and I. Officer.

Nettie Ransford, Corps No. 44, Indianapolis.

The Delegates were each presented with a Delegate or Souvenir Badge, upon which was lithographed a view of the Soldier's and Sailor's Orphan's Home, at Knightstown.

Report of the Committee on Credentials not being ready the Assistant Secretary then called the roll of members.

After which Mrs. Travis of Crawfordsville moved to adjourn until 1:30 p. m. Seconded and carried. The Convention adjourned until 1:30.

WEDNESDAY.—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Meeting called to order by the President at 1:30 p. m. and business resumed.

The report of Committee on Credentials being called for, it was announced by the Chairman that the reports were not ready. The reports of the Department Officers being next in order the Department President proceeded to read her address.



## ADDRESS OF THE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT.

*To the Officers and Members of the Eighth Annual Convention,  
Department of Indiana:*

It is with pleasure that I submit my report to you, who have so kindly intrusted me as a pilot during the year. Time over which we can have no control, has pointed with its never-tiring finger to another count, and a year with its successes and adversities has past since last we met, and another page has been added to the history of the Woman's Relief Corps of Indiana.

Those of us whom a wise Providence has permitted to meet in this, our Eighth Annual session should remember with grateful hearts the Author of Mercies. Let us ask of Him, wisdom to guide us in our counsels that we may legislate aright, and be safely directed in our work for the coming year; We may be actuated only by the noblest and purest of motives that this may prove one of the most profitable and harmonious sessions.

## OUR ORGANIZATION.

Our Order like all institutions of human origin, prospers through human instrumentalities, and the blessing of Heaven. Based upon noble principles, we must rear the edifice and keep it in repair. To do this we must labor zealously and faithfully, and not lose sight of our mission—the grand object for which we are banded together, in a vain desire for self aggrandizement. When the realities of war were upon us, woman's hand, and heart, and voice, and strength were devotedly given and no public recognition, no thanks from a saved nation, can ever add anything of much importance, to the actual joy of ministering with their own hands, and hearts to the wants of the brave men who were stricken by disease or

wounded in battle. To-day let us not be "found wanting," let us follow their noble and unselfish examples and our rewards will be equal to our sacrifices. One grand beauty of organization is, it excludes all political and sectarian views. We meet in one common sisterhood, only to entertain Christian teaching, which is the embodiment of principles enshrined in these beautiful words, Fraternity Charity and Loyalty.

Another is, it has opened up new opportunities for social and benevolent work on the part of woman, and raised her to official privileges, thus developing and nursing into power the talents God has given her.

Woman will learn in this work to despise gossip and idleness, and to think soberly, and without prejudice of the capacities of their own sex.

In all countries, in all times of peril, in sorrow and affliction, as in joy and rejoicing, woman has stood by the side of man. She has won a high and honorable record for her faithfulness, and devotion. Her influence in home and social life is well understood, and it is truly admitted by all that there is no influence so powerful as hers on coming destinies. The Grand Army of the Republic is fast learning the force of this, and is looking to us, their auxiliary, for valuable aid, not alone in assisting them in their work of charity, but in perpetuating the principles for which they fought. They fully realize the great good that has already been accomplished through our Organization.

Wherever a Corps exists we find the members faithfully fulfilling the mission of fraternal charity, thereby lifting the burden of the relief work off the tired shoulders of the Comrades that carried the knapsacks, and guarding their picket lines with watchful care.

We are proud that we have become an important auxiliary to the largest, the bravest, the most gallant, and the most victorious Grand Army the world has ever known. Let us so conduct ourselves and our assemblies, that they will never regret the recognition they have given us.

## OFFICIAL REPORTS.

For all details of the year's work, I refer you to reports of the able and faithful officers who have so loyally assisted me in the labors of the Department. Your attention is called to their recommendations, all of which are worthy of your thoughtful consideration.

## THE WORK OF THE YEAR.

The year just passed has been one of steady growth and general prosperity in the Department, and with a few exceptions has been one of perfect harmony. In all sorts of progress there are ups and downs, else what a climb there would be and what a tremendous lurch if there were no valleys.

We admit that we have not realized our aspirations. Our measure of success is not what we had hoped and striven for, but we fully realize, more plainly than ever before, that no good or noble object, worthy of our toil and striving is reached at a single bound; but we must "Build the ladder by which we climb, and mount the summit round by round." The routine work at Headquarters increases with the growth of the Department, and now requires the almost constant attention of the President, Secretary and Treasurer, thereby lessening the opportunities for advancing the work and rendering it more necessary to have able assistants.

## DEPARTMENT GROWTH.

The past and present condition of our order has been, and is, such as to give great cause for congratulations. That we are progressive in our character is best evidenced by the addition to our numbers, and the growth we have attained in the brief period of our existence. Twenty-six strong and growing branches have sprung up within the year, with a membership of 458, and all giving promise of rich fruitfulness in good works. The official report presented at the Seventh Department Convention dated March 11, 1890 gave the number of members in good standing 4,815, let gain 997. Number of members in good standing April 1, 1891, 7,692, net gain 2,877. Loss by

suspension and delinquent reports last quarter 450. Making a total membership borne on roll April 1, 1891, 8,142.

We have only encouraged the organizing of Corps that would be a strength to the Department, for we realize that strength lies not so much in magnitude of numbers, as in unity and harmony of purpose.

#### LOSS.

With the fair showing we have made we need not be discouraged when we look at the "reverse side" which is less bright, and shows a loss of seven Corps. Six of these voluntarily surrendered their charters. Quarterly reports of June, 1890, show that they merely existed. The other one was organized last year, but met with discouragements and never held a meeting. We labored in vain to revive an interest, but became convinced of the futility of such efforts and called in the charter. The aggregate membership of these disbanded Corps was ninety, twenty-five took Transfer Cards to other Corps. Your special attention is called to the loss by delinquent reports, which is a source of great annoyance to Department officers.

Also to the loss by suspension, which should receive the serious consideration of Corps presidents. In my judgement it can be largely prevented by Treasurers promptly collecting dues; let there be no lapping over from quarter to quarter.

#### FINANCIAL CONDITION.

It is extremely gratifying to report that Corps in this Department are in a healthy financial condition. Reports show the total amount in

General Fund, \$4,220.51.

Relief Fund, 2,841.85.

The financial condition of the Department as will be seen by report of Treasurer, is quite satisfactory. It has been the aim of this administration, to keep the expenses at the lowest possible figures consistent with the efficient workings of the Department.



## RELIEF WORK.

The amount of Relief rendered by the Corps, show that the members are fully alive to the needs of our soldiers, and their families, and the work is done in such a quiet way that few realize how much is accomplished. Quarterly reports show that \$5,706.72 has been expended for relief during the year, and only a few Corps placed an estimate on that given "other than money" which, no doubt would amount to hundreds of dollars.

The sick have been visited and cared for, and many learned the truth of the adage, "It is better to give than to receive" for each good deed and sacrifice brings its own blessings and peace.

## NATIONAL W. R. C. HOME.

The establishment of the National Woman's Relief Corps Home created for us another sphere of usefulness, in providing for the comforts of these aged mothers.

"God bless the nurses of the war;  
Reward each noble name;  
Their ministrations to the needs,  
Saved lives of many men."

Corps have donated liberally thereby showing their appreciation of the faithful services rendered by these noble women.

Amount in cash and other donations, \$228.80.

## SOLDIERS AND SAILORS ORPHAN'S HOME.

One of the dearest interests to me, outside of my own sacred home, and one that claims my sympathies is this institution. Next to my own dear children, come these dear wards of the state. The crowded condition of the institution, has made it a marvel that it has made any advancement during the year. But I am happy beyond expression to say, that the last General Assembly appropriated \$57,300.00 for additional buildings. Too much credit cannot be given to the Grand Army Committee, for their tireless and unceasing la-

bors in behalf of this bill. Work will soon be begun on these buildings, and before another year, we hope to see the children comfortably housed; thus realizing the fondest hope of every soldier in the state. For further details, and for the Christmas work, I refer you to the able report of the W. R. C. committee.

#### DECISIONS.

Many questions have been submitted for my decision, and a few differences to settle. In each case I have endeavored to perform this duty without fear or favor. It is impossible to bring together persons of every variety of temperament and disposition, without occasional differences arising. But in almost every case that has claimed my attention, I have found that it was caused by inharmonious action, and apparent disregard to the laws of our order, causing discord and dissension to arise; and the beautiful lesson taught us, "To avoid giving offence to any one present or speaking an unkind word of an absent one" is forgotten, and the feeling of fraternity and harmony is supplanted by jealousy, envy and uncharitableness. If any prejudice has been formed in any of your minds, I beg of you to let all unkind feeling die and be buried with the past.

In this duty we should be like Christ, who came not to do his own will, but the will of him that sent him. Life's journey is too short to make mistakes. Let us be true to our obligations and the order we love.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

The correspondence has been extensive and required much time and consideration, but it has been very pleasant, and in many cases profitable. The personal letters have been a source of great comfort to me, and I shall remember the writers long after this presidential mantle has fallen upon other shoulders.

Much of the official correspondence could be saved, if members would familiarize themselves with rules and regu-

lations, and common parliamentary laws. I would impress the minds of every member that General Orders are issued by National and Department officers at considerable expense of time, labor and money, for the purpose of making plain the work and giving needed instructions, and if carefully read would save much time and expense. I have written over a thousand letters, issued eleven General Orders, two Circular Letters and one Greeting.

## OFFICIAL VISITS.

It has been a source of regret to me, that in the constant and faithful performance of the duties of my office, I have been prevented from responding in person, to many kind invitations to be present at various entertainments of Post and Corps. Though I greatly appreciate the kind remembrance and assurance of fraternal welcome, I could not avail myself of the pleasure without detriment to the Department. It was my privilege to be present at the dedication of the Grand Army Hall at Princeton, also at several joint installations. I inspected thirteen Corps, instituted one and installed the officers of one. Including my trip to National Convention I have traveled 3,887 miles in the interest of the Department.

## MEMORIAL DAY.

Memorial Day has become an established fact throughout the nation. But never since the first observance, has there been such universal interest manifested as this year. Our hearts are still thrilled with the sacred memories it evoked, and some of us formed resolutions tender and earnest, as we stood beside the narrow beds, and could see the little flags waving to all the loving message of victory and peace. Wreaths and flowers were contributed, memorials prepared and over 8,000 children participated in the sacred services. When a people so busy as ours, comes to a full halt in all business, to pay merited tribute to the Nation's dead, it is surely educating the coming generation to love of country, and will impress on their young minds the cost of patriotism.

Many veterans have passed away during the year, and one especially, for whom the veil of mourning has not yet been lifted—Gen. W. T. Sherman. He was truly a soldier and a comrade, and come in closer touch with the Grand Army than any other general of the war. Your attention is called to the able report of our worthy Chaplain, Mary J. McCarthy, to whom thanks are due for promptness. Indiana was credited with sending in the first report to National Chaplain.

IN MEMORIAM.

It is our sad duty to report that during the year, our Department has lost by death, forty-seven of our devoted members. Their hearts were overflowing with high resolves; their hands were full of good work, but when the summons came, they quietly put aside life's duties and laid down to rest.

"Their eulogies are written bright  
In yonder world of endless light."

May the memory of their faithful services, and their loving devotion to our beloved order, strengthen our fraternity.

NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The Eighth National Convention was held in Boston, August 13 and 14, 1890. Indiana's entitled representation was seventeen. Seven elected delegates, one delegate at large, present Department officers and five Past Department Presidents. Present and reporting, two Past Department Presidents, present Department officers with the exception of Senior Vice, four delegates, alternate at large, one elected alternate and one elected by Department Council to fill vacancy.

It will be seen by this report that of the sixteen elected delegates and alternates, only six responded. It is important for the welfare of the Department that Indiana have a full representation at the National Convention. I therefore strongly urge upon the ladies of this Convention, not to accept the nomination of delegate or alternate without considering the probabilities of a prompt attendance. I wish to publicly



thank the delegates for the faithful attendance at all sessions of the Convention; notwithstanding the first one reached far into the night, the final stroke of the gavel found Indiana's delegates still in their places. I also thank them for the honor of being elected a member of the National Executive Board. I would be wanting in those kindlier feelings, did I not express my high appreciation of this honor that came to me unsought. Headquarters were established at Hotel Vendome; and on our arrival we found the rooms beautifully decorated with choice flowers, that seemed to speak words of welcome. For this kind attention we are indebted to Arlington Corps No. 14, Massachusetts. We were received in the old historical city with a kind welcome, and one that will never be forgotten.

#### INSPECTION.

The system of Inspection as was ordered by Department Council was carried out, the Assistant Inspectors being called together for instructions before assuming their duties. The Department Inspector has been faithful in the discharge of the duties of her office, which have been unusually laborious on account of the limited time, and work to be accomplished, as it was thought best to place it in as few hands as possible. She is to be congratulated that with the aid of the Assistant Inspectors, the consolidated report to National Inspector included almost every Corps.

#### SONS OF VETERANS.

My message would seem incomplete, did I not utter some word of endorsement for this organization, whose aims and objects are so like our own. The relation between the two organizations should be of the happiest possible character. We should go hand in hand: as mothers love to lean upon their sons, so we should turn to these stalwart sons whose heritage is patriotism. They can render us valuable aid, and I feel that we, as members of the Woman's Relief Corps, should extend to them due recognition and a fraternal greeting. Let

us unite our ablest efforts in assisting them to a brotherhood that shall echo the principles and loyalty of their fathers; for it will be but a few years until they must fill the ranks vacated by the Grand Army. Recommendation No. 10.

#### AMERICAN FLAGS.

One great object of our organization is to inculcate lessons of patriotism in the hearts of our children, and the communities in which we live. We have no better avenue through which to reach the children, than through the public schools. Let us be active in strengthening this means of loyalty by placing the stars and stripes on every school house in our state. It will create a sentiment in this country, that will save it, by keeping alive the great fact that our institution cost something; that the Union cost something; that the old flag with all the stars cost something. Therefore recommendation No. 11.

#### THE GUARD.

It is with pleasure that I call the attention of this Convention to the publication of The Guard, a paper devoted to the W. R. C., of Indiana, and edited by our enterprising Department Treasurer, Julia Conklin, who, seeing the advantage it would be to our local Corps, was prompted to undertake the work. Her official duties have been so great that she has not been able to give it the time it deserved, but, hereafter will assume the full responsibility of proprietor and editor, and will give it her time and energy. I fully endorse this enterprise and bespeak for it a hearty support. Recommendation No. 12.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

To enumerate the acts of courtesy of the Comrades throughout the state, who have upheld us in our work, and have rendered valuable service to this administration would be impossible. But special thanks are due Commander Stormont and personal staff for continual interest manifested in our work, and for valuable and voluntary service rendered.

To the members of my staff and council, and to all who have so willingly responded to any call I have made upon them, I wish to express my hearty appreciation of service so ably rendered. I trust that our sisterly love so manifested in our official relation, has ripened into a friendship that will be life long.

There has been but few cases submitted to the Department Counselor, but I have consulted her on all important matters and found her impartial. She has been to me a strong support, for her wise and willing encouragement as well as for her appreciation of my work, which has been most helpful to me. I offer this special acknowledgment of gratitude.

The Department I. and I. Officer also has fulfilled her trust carefully, and attentively, as her report will show. I would express my hearty thanks for her faithful services and unselfish labor. She has been to me a faithful friend and helper. Many times have I called upon her for assistance, and as many times has it been freely and kindly given.

To my Secretary and Treasurer, I find myself unable to express my gratitude and appreciation of their work.

“Earnest and upright, trusted and true,  
They bridged no duty for ease or gain;  
But faithfully did what they found to do,  
And kept their records undimmed by stain.”

#### IN CONCLUSION.

The means in a greater or less degree the severing of associations that have been a joy to me. The dropping out of a daily life, forms and faces, that during the work of the year, have woven about my heart silken cords of love, that will be as enduring as memory. The year has been one of unremitting toil; but I can truthfully say, that I have zealously and devotedly given my entire time, with an absorbing interest that has excluded every duty and social pleasure. With the closing of this Convention my official labors as Department President will be ended. In laying down the insignia of my office, let me urge you by all the obligations you have

taken, by the tears, the anguish and the suffering of the widows and orphans, and by every sentiment and impulse of your better nature, to stand bravely and nobly in the line of duty, as long as there is a soldier's want to relieve, a widow's heart to soothe, or an orphan's tear to dry.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

1st. That a committee be appointed by the incoming Department President, to secure and present to Department Council for approval, design for souvenir badge, for the Department of Indiana W. R. C. That a badge be furnished free to each representative to National Convention, and sold to others at a uniform price fixed by the Department Council.

2nd. That all money donated for the Christmas Fund, for the benefit of the Soldier's and Sailor's orphans, be sent through the Department Treasurer, and the balance remaining in hands of the Committee be turned over to Department Treasurer and kept as a special fund for which it was donated.

3rd. That Corps do not respond to any Circular Letters, or calls for donations, except those sent through the proper channel from either National or Department Headquarters.

4th. During the year it was found necessary to grant many dispensations, all of which we considered for the good of the order. I therefore recommend that Department Presidents be furnished dispensation blanks in the form of an order book.

5th. That Corps be supplied with printed blanks for notifying applicants of their election to membership, the same as arrearage blanks, as it will greatly aid the Secretaries.

6th. That one month previous to the Ninth National Convention, Corps Presidents shall forward to Department Headquarters a report on the merits of the new Ritual.

7th. That a Circular Letter be prepared and forwarded to each Corps, giving instructions as to the proper methods of estimating "Relief" and average attendance.



8th. That the incoming Department President be empowered by this Convention to arrange for district exemplifications, believing that it will make the work of the Ritual more uniform throughout the state; that it will strengthen the fraternal bonds, that it will give Corps living at a distance from Department Headquarters the same advantage as those living nearer. That the Department President decides the number and place of District Meetings.

SOLDIER'S WIDOWS.

9th. While the government is making haste so slowly to pension these needy ones, many if they are not in actual want are certainly in need of the comforts of life, and many have not the means nor the knowledge how to proceed to secure pensions. I therefore recommend that each Corps appoint a special committee to be known as the Pension Committee, whose duty it shall be to search out every soldier's widow and assist in securing their pensions.

10th. That all Corps where a Camp of Sons of Veterans is organized, have a Conference Committee from the two Orders, to confer on all matters of mutual interest, as it is of great importance to both Orders and will strengthen the fraternal tie.

11th. That each Corps appoint a committee to secure flags for public school buildings either through the school trustees or by giving an entertainment of some kind to raise the money for that purpose.

12th. Believing it to be for the good of our order to have a paper devoted to our interest, I recommend that this Convention adopt "The Guard" as its official organ.

13th. That our thanks be extended to the Department Commander and Staff, for transportation rates to both National and Department Conventions, and for kindly making arrangements for W. R. C., at Boston; and that we intercede for a continuance of the favor.

Respectfully submitted,

MELISSA CAYLOR,

*Department President.*

## REPORT OF DEPT. SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT.

INDIANAPOLIS, APRIL 7, 1891.

MARY A. BOYD,

*Department Secretary W. R. C.**Dear Madam:*

The office of Senior Vice-President of the Woman's Relief Corps being a merely nominal one, very often conferred as a compliment, and coming upon the present incumbent not as an honor achieved, I very respectfully beg leave to submit my report.

The duties of this office, at no time very onerous, have, by the careful and efficient work of our President, and her faithful aids, the Department Secretary and Treasurer, been rendered perhaps less so this year, even than usual.

To be promptly ready for any duty required, to do everything in my power for the advancement of our cause, whether in local or state Departments, and to hold myself always in readiness to respond to any calls from Headquarters has been my constant aim.

The Inspection brought with it increased demand upon the time and energies of the Department officers, and was my real work for the year as Senior Vice-President. My duties as Assistant Inspector, brought me in close contact with a large number of our order, and by this means I learned something of the tenor of the work. I feel that I must congratulate this Department upon the unanimity of good feeling, and sense of comradeship that exists very generally throughout the district over which I have gone and it is with a large degree of pleasure I take this opportunity to publicly thank the good friends, for the cordial reception and uniformly kind treatment accorded me, as the authorized representative of the Department.

I inspected altogether twenty-four Corps, went to two places where it was not convenient to hold inspection at time I had appointed, and had missed the telegram apprising me of this fact. One Corps at the little village of Dalton, had never held even one meeting, therefore, after making strenuous effort to reorganize, or rather awaken new interest in the work, viewing all the surrounding facilities for establishing a good Corps, and carefully satisfying myself that it would be impossible to do so; being advised by the few who responded to my calls, that it would be unwise to continue effort in their behalf, I, at the direction of the Department President brought away the charter and supplies.

I instituted Magnolia Corps No. 143, Jonesboro, and have also written a number of letters to induce organization of Corps in towns in the vicinity of Marion, and while there has been some delay in getting to work, they have signified their intention to organize soon, and I trust the incoming year will see them fully equipped and ready for work. I have found everywhere, earnest, true-hearted women needing only incentive and encouragement, to work loyally in our noble cause. I have also written in the interest of Department work, one hundred and thirty-four letters during the year, and since the annual election of Corps officers, have conducted two • installations.

I very well know my dear sisters, you have not come here to listen to flowery arguments however pleasant to hear, but I desire to call your attention to one matter, which in the aggregate tells against the success of our work, and which I was requested to present to you. That is, a disposition upon the part of many retiring Corps Presidents, to rest upon their laurels, and gradually stay away from the meetings, until in many places they drop entirely out of the active work; according to Tennyson's idea "having known a higher plane" do not feel inclined to a decline. This is not as it should be; for as we usually select our best material for our presiding officers, one who has not only executive but judicial ability, and some

idea of the science of jurisprudence, when they lose interest in the work, their absence is felt, and the Corps sustains a serious loss. To my mind it is the large-souled women, built upon a generous plan, who, having occupied the highest position in the gift of our franchise, steps gradually down and rising superior to all petty jealousies, takes up whatever work may be assigned her, and goes cheerfully on as the path of duty may direct. May I also say we feel proud of the advancement of our own Corps No. 63. Our muster roll numbers now one hundred and eight members. Have given within the last year Relief Work, in cash and articles donated considerably over \$300.00.

Thanking the Convention for the honor conferred upon me which has had very many pleasant features, chief among them the very fraternal relations with the President and members of her staff, and the association with friends met and known, whom I shall always hold in cherished remembrance. Congratulating the President and officers upon the success of their work, I again pledge myself to advance by every means in my power, the principles of the great triumvirate of our Order, Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

HARRIET A. BUCHANAN,  
*Department Senior Vice-President.*



## REPORT OF DEPT. JUNIOR VICE-PRESIDENT.

INDIANAPOLIS, APRIL 8, 1891.

MARY A. BOYD,

*Department Secretary, W. R. C.*

As is the custom in our Women's Relief Corps work I submit the following report:

I fully appreciate the honor conferred upon me, and also the Corps I represent, in my election to the office of Junior Vice-President of this Department. My love for the work in which we are engaged, made me ready to obey any command for service within my power to perform. However, the year has passed and few duties have presented themselves; in consequence I have little to report.

May 28, 1890, it was my privilege to institute Delaney Corps No. 118, with a charter membership of fourteen, which service was cheerfully rendered, and I trust will meet the approval of this Convention.

My only regret is, that opportunity was not given me by which I might have evidenced greater zeal for this order, dedicated to Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

CARRIE ALLEN HOSKIN.

*Department Junior Vice-President.*

## REPORT OF DEPT. SECRETARY.

NOBLESVILLE, IND., APRIL 1, 1891.

MELISSA CAYLOR,

*Department President Woman's Relief Corps.*

In accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Woman's Relief Corps, I have the honor to submit to you, and the Eighth Department Convention, the following report of the condition of the order, and a summary of nearly thirteen months work of the Department Secretary's office, from March 14, 1890 to April 8, 1891.

Entering upon the duties of my office, I found on the Roster 130 Corps in good standing, with a total membership of 4,815.

## CORPS INSTITUTED.

The following Corps have been Instituted since last Department Convention:

Hagan, No. 50, Buffaloville, instituted April 5th, 1890.

Monree Layman, No. 99, Warren, instituted April 16th, 1890.

W. S. Hancock, No. 61, Veedersburg, instituted April 17, 1890.

King David, No. 53, Mt. Vernon, instituted April 20th, 1890.

Shively, No. 103, Huntingburg, instituted May 7th, 1890.

Frank Jones, No. 116, Trenton, instituted May 10th, 1890.

Stephen Meade, No. 21, Fort Branch, instituted May 13th, 1890.

Martin Delaney, No. 118, Indianapolis, instituted May 28th, 1890.

A. H. Cockrum, No. 141, Oakland City, instituted July 8th, 1890.

- Walters, No. 142, Hebron, instituted July 19th, 1890.  
Magnolia, No. 143, Jonesboro, instituted September 9th, 1890.  
Chicakamauga, No. 144, Kirklin, instituted October 20th, 1890.  
V. H. Lyons, No. 145, Plainfield, instituted October 21st, 1890.  
Morgan, No. 146, Petersburg, instituted November 13th, 1890.  
Spicely, No. 147, Orleans, instituted November 21st, 1890.  
Andrews, No. 148, Andrews, instituted Dec. 20th. 1890.  
Warden, No. 149, Albion, instituted January 7th, 1891.  
Samuel Stewart, No. 150, Flora, instituted January 22nd, 1891.  
Cambridge City, No. 151, Cambridge City, instrtuted March 5th, 1891.  
Chas. Swindell, No. 152, Larwill, instituted March 12th, 1891.  
Coal City, No. 153, Coal City, instituted March 4th, 1891.  
C. A. Kirkhoff, No. 154, New Palestine, March 11th, 1891.  
Frank Neff, No. 155, Sullivan, instituted March 18th, 1891.  
Robert Calloway, No. 156, Milton, instituted March 21st, 1891.  
Milton Carter, No. 157, Monrovia, instituted March 23rd, 1891.  
John M. Wilson, No. 158,, Bunker Hill, instituted April 2nd, 1891.

Total number of Corps instituted, 26.

Corps pending at Daleville.

#### CORPS DISBANDED.

- Fountain City, No. 85, Fountain City, disbanded Ootober 16th, 1890.  
Elwood Hill, No. 109, Carthage, disbanded October 22nd, 1890.

Tippecanoe, No. 35, Monticello, disbanded November 29th, 1890.

B. A. James, No, 132, Walton, disbanded December 11th, 1890.

Isham Keith, No. 69, Columbus, disbanded December 24th, 1890.

Harrow, No. 107, Mt. Vernon, disbanded February 17th, 1891.

C. M. Leonard, No. 135, Dalton, charter revoked December, 1890. This corps met with discouragements, and never held a meeting, therefore the charter was recalled.

Total loss, 7.

#### RECAPITULATION.

Members in good standing March 14, 1890.....	4,815
Gained by initiation.....	1,465
Gained by transfers.....	50
Gained by reinstatement.....	284
Gained by reinstatement from delinquent reports.....	2,517

Total gain.....	4,316
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Aggregate.....	9,131
Loss by death.....	49
Loss by honorable discharge.....	115
Loss by transfer.....	100
Loss by suspension.....	719
Loss by dishonorable discharge.....	12
Loss by delinquent reports.....	444

Total loss.....	1,439
Remaining in good standing April 8, 1891.....	7,692
Remaining suspended and delinquent.....	450

Total number borne on rolls April 8, 1891. ....8142

Net gain in membership.....	2,877
Total number of Corps March 11, 1890.....	130
Total number of Corps April 8, 1891.....	149

Net gain in Corps.....19



## RELIEF REPORT.

Cash on hand January 1, 1890.....	\$3,199 84
Receipts during the year.....	3,348 30
Total.....	\$6,548 14
Expended during the year.....	\$2,949 22
Turned over to Posts.....	757 07
Total cash disbursements.....	\$3,706 29
Cash balance on hand.....	\$2,841 85
Estimated value of relief other than money.....	2,000 43
Total value of relief extended.....	\$5,706 72

Number of soldiers and their families assisted, 1,105.

Reports show that Logansport Corps No. 30, Logansport, stands highest in relief dispensed, having expended \$40.980. Farragut Corps No. 18, Evansville, is second, having expended \$192.65, followed by Sol. Meredith No. 45, Richmond, with \$141.78 and Geo. H. Thomas Corps No. 20, Indianapolis, with 105.00. Many other corps have been very liberal in their relief work. A number of Corps have not reported relief extended "other than money," which in many cases amounts to more than actual cash expended. This should be reported, that each corps may receive due credit. Department Inspector reports eight corps having no relief fund. Every Corps should establish a Relief Fund, that being the great object of the Order.

In addition to the actual relief, Corps have been called upon for special donations for other purposes, which have been met by a generous response.

W. R. C. HOME.

Thirty-five Corps have responded to the call for donations to the W. R. C. Home. The following is a complete list:

No.		Cash	\$	
18	Farragut, Evansville,		\$10	00
3	Gen. Canby, Brazil,	"	2	00
70	Maj. May, Anderson,	"	2	00
72	Lookout, Noblesville,	"	5	00
60	Duvall, Liberty,	"	5	00
115	Leslie, Seelyville,	"	1	00
41	Sam Henry, Decatur,	"	2	00
39	Rensselear, Rensselear,	"	3	00
120	Benton, Fowler,	"	1	00
19	John A. Logan, N. Manchester,	"	3	00
25	Connersville, Connersville,	"	2	00
83	John Wheeler, Crown Point,	"	5	00
59	Geo. W. Stough, Columbus City,	"	4	00
26	Cicero, Cicero,	"	2	00
71	Fairfax, Westfield,	"	5	00
94	T. J. Harrison, Kokomo,	"	5	00
136	Lot Bloomfield, Hammond,	"	2	00
24	Chaplain Brown, Valpariso,	articles valued at	20	00
26	Warren Banta, Liberty Mills,	"	5	50
60	George H. Thomas, Ind'polis,	"	28	25
32	Howell, Goshen,	"	5	00
137	Moses Herron, Farmland,	"		90
22	Burnside Attica,	"	3	40
43	Joseph R. Gordon, Indianapolis,	"	3	00
56	S. K. Harryman, Mooresville,	"	4	00
15	Elmer, Elkhart,	"	2	50
73	Boone, Zionsville,	"	15	00
105	Stillwell, Colfax,	"	3	00
108	Put Evans, Sharpsville,	"	1	05
136	Lot Bloomfield, Hammond,	"	5	00
138	Johnson, Montpelier,	"	10	00
81	Fahler, Star City,	"	5	00
48	Deacon, New Carlisle.	"	4	00
58	Judson Kilpatrick, Freemont,	"	4	00
83	John Wheeler, Crown Point,	"	10	00
126	Goodland, Goodland,	"	35	50
76	Maj. Patton, Vevay,	"	4	70

Total amount, \$228 80

The Williams Corps No. 119, Muncie, Ind., has just furnished complete a room at the National W. R. C. Home, to be known as "William's W. R. C., Dept. of Ind." Value of furnishings not given.

## PHIL KEARNEY POST.

Contributions to Phil. Kearney Post, Virginia, for decorating soldier's graves at Richmond, have been reported from six Corps, aggregating \$12.00 which was sent to Edgar Allen, Richmond, Virginia.

## DONATIONS TO MARION SOLDIER'S HOME.

Chaplain Brown Corps No. 24, books valued at \$15.25.

## DONATIONS TO DEPARTMENT RELIEF FUND.

Patton Corps No. 16, LaPorte, \$5.00; King David No. 63, Mt Vernon, \$1.00.

## REPORTS.

So much has been said on the subject of tardy and incorrect reports, that it seems almost useless to refer to it. Each quarter so many errors have been found, that, in many cases, it has been found necessary to return one or both reports for correction; frequently because of an omission in copying or a small error in addition or subtraction. We would impress on each Corps President, firmly, but kindly, that no President has the right to forward a report to Department Headquarters until the same has been carefully examined and proven, by herself, since by her signature, she attests to its correctness.

Reports on file should also be corrected to correspond with those forwarded to Department Headquarters.

General Orders No. 11 requests that reports for the quarter ending April 1st, be sent to the incoming officers, as they properly belong to the next administration. Many of them have been received by us, thereby causing much confusion and annoyance.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

Eleven General Orders, two Circular Letters, and one Greeting have been issued from this Department, and together with twelve National General Orders and four Circular Letters have been sent to every Corps. One National and two Department passwords have been sent out during the year.

The Department rosters were issued in July 1890, and sent to every Corps. Journals of the Seventh Annual Convention, also Journals of the Eight National Convention, were sent direct from printer to each Corps President by order of Department President. Aside from the large official correspondence of the year, many letters have come to us from associate officers and co-workers, laden with kind words of encouragement and expressions of sympathy which were to us as "Apples of Gold in pictures of Silver."

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

1st. That an Honor Roll be established for Corps sending in correct reports by the 5th of each quarter.

2nd. That Corps acknowledge the receipt of all blanks, General Orders and supplies.

3rd. A careful reading of all General Orders; and that Corps officers comply with instructions therein given.

4th. That all official communications be accompanied with a stamp, as the correspondence has grown so large that postage spent for official correspondence, alone, amounts to many dollars during the year.

5th. That thanks are due Comrade Henry M. Caylor for his kindness in tendering the use of his business room, free of charge, for Department Headquarters, and for many other courtesies extended.

#### CONCLUSION.

And now in conclusion, Mrs. President, I desire to return to you my heartfelt thanks and gratitude, for your constant patience and zealous aid extended to me in my arduous work. The year has passed, and many perplexing questions have been settled by you. In reviewing the work of the term by the light of statistics presented, there is everything to encourage us to press on to still greater achievements. Our work, as an Order, will be known and felt in the immeasurable future. We have administered to those in want, children with-



out homes have blessed our work, and the hungry have been fed. Let us hope that the seal of an omnipotent God will not blot out the record of the past year, nor our intentions of good toward the Nation's defenders. Those, who, amid the strife and awful conflict of battle, in prisons of famine and death, in hospitals and on the weary march, wrote upon the very canopy of Heaven, "Our country, liberty, union and one flag." Shall we not then, gird on our armor and put forth renewed efforts while the fields are white for the harvest, that the coming year may witness still greater triumphs in gathering into our fold those who need its protecting care and support?

Faternally submitted,

MARY A. BOYD,

*Department Secretary.*

## REPORT OF DEPT. TREASURER.

WESTFIELD, IND., APRIL 1, 1891.

MARY A. BOYD,

*Department Secretary,**Madam:*

In compliance with our Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit herewith my financial standing for the year ending March 31, 1891:

## RECEIVED OF MATTIE E. GRILL, PAST DEPT. TTEASURER:

Supplies.....	\$ 84 36
Desk and fixtures.....	47 00
Cash in General Fund.....	140 05
Cash Relief Fund.....	38 93
Total.....	\$310 34

Julia S. Conklin, Department Treasurer,

In account with W. R. C., Department of Indiana:

## DR. FIRST QUARTER.

Cash received from Mattie E. Grill....	\$140 05
Cash received Charter fees.....	45 00
Cash received postage on supplies.....	1 99
Cash received supplies.....	332 07
Cash received per capita tax.....	377 35
Cash received monument fund.....	42 00
Cash received Memorial Day fund....	3 00
W. H. Conklin money loaned Dep't....	38 00
Cash received Westfield Bank overdrawn account.....	72
Total receipts general fund.....	\$980 18

## RELIEF FUND.

Cash received from Mattie E. Grill.....	\$ 38 93
Cash received second hand supplies.....	2 35
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Total receipts relief fund.....	\$ 41 28
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Total receipts first quarter.....	\$1,021 46

## DISBURSEMENTS FIRST QUARTER CR.

Cash D. K. Partlow, Atty. writing Treas. bond.....	\$ 1 00
Cash Agnes Hitt expense as I. and I. officer.....	1 15
Cash expressage on supplies.....	2 10
Cash freight and drayage.....	5 16
Cash repairs on desk.....	7 0
Cash Bush & Walker printing and stationery.....	19 50
Cash Commercial Printing Co. bill heads.....	2 85
Cash National Treasurer supplies.....	90 86
Cash National Treasurer supplies.....	115 20
Cash Emily J. Butterfield postage on Journals.....	15 38
Cash expressage on Journals.....	1 00
Cash Keller Printing Co. printing journals.....	170 00
Cash National Treasurer supplies.....	186 88
Cash National Treasurer per capita tax.....	69 12
Cash Jennie Myerhoff expenses as I. and I. officer.....	2 90
Cash H. M. Caylor glass for Dept. charter.....	65
Cash Dept. Pres. expenses to Princeton..	9 40
Cash Bush & Walker printing and stationery.....	13 50
Cash Dept Pres. expenses to Indianapolis.....	3 45
Cash overpaid accounts.....	1 45
Cash Dept. Secretary salary first quarter.....	50 00
Cash Dept. Treasurer salary first quarter.....	50 00
Cash Chas A. Winship & Co. Past Dept. Pres. badge.....	65 00
Cash National Treasurer supplies.....	99 16
Cash transferred to relief fund.....	2 35
Cash Edgar Allen Memorial fund.....	3 00

Cash sundries, wrapping paper, twine, ink, etc.....	2 17
Cash postage.....	33 03
Cash Dept. Treasurer expenses to Headquarters....	4 50
Total expenditures.....	<u>\$1,021 46</u>
Liabilities first quarter.....	<u>\$38 72</u>

## SECOND QUARTER DR.

Cash supplies.....	\$132 53
Cash Charter fee.....	5 00
Cash postage on supplies.....	51
Cash per capita tax.....	377 04
Cash monumenf fund.....	20 00
Total receipts .....	<u>\$535 08</u>

## CR. GENERAL FUND

By cash, Bank of Westfield.....	\$ 72
By cash, W. H. Conklin money loaned	38 00
By cash, overpaid accounts.....	27
By cash, R. C. Kenyon expenses to S. O. Home.....	6 20
By cash National Treasurer per capita tax	56 13
By cash, Baker & Randolph printing cir- cular letter.....	3 25
By cash, Baker & Randolph printing roster.....	35 20
By cash, Bush & Walker printing general orders.....	2 00
By cash, Vendome hotel expenses Dept. Headquarters.....	44 00
By cash Dept. Pres. expenses to National Convention.....	44 65
By cash, Dept. Secretary expenses to National Conventional.....	34 90
By cash, Winkley, Dresser & Co. register	44 65
By cash, Dept Sec. salary second quarter	1 75
By cash, Dept Treas salary second quarter	50 00
By cash, Baker & Randolph delegate badges.....	50 00
	22 50



By cash E. C. Wilson filling charter....	71	
By cash, National Treas. supplies.....	91	86
By cash, telephone message.....	25	
By cash, telegram.....	25	
By cash, express and drayage.....	68	
By cash, Dept. Treas. expenses to head- quarters.....	1	20
By cash, postage.....	30	36
Total expenditures.....	\$	514 88
Balance on hand.....	\$	20 20

## DR. THIRD QUARTER.

To cash, amount brought forward.....	\$	20 20
To cash, per capita tax.....	395	18
To cash, Charter fees.....	30	00
To cash, postage on supplies.....	2	47
To cash, supplies.....	361	01
To cash, monument fund.....	13	00
Total receipts.....	\$	821 86

## CR. GENERAL FUND.

By cash, National Treas. per Capita tax\$	68	37
By cash, Belle Bristow banner.....	1	50
By cash, Mary R. Athey auditing books..	7	25
By cash, Hulda Taylor auditing books..	1	50
By cash, Julia Conklin expenses as I. and I. officer.....	2	00
By cash, Bush & Walker printing and stationery.....	22	00
By cash, Melissa Caylor expenses as I. and I. officer.....	4	50
By cash, E. B. Stilling & Co.....	14	70
By cash, National Treasurer supplies..	225	06
By cash, R. C. Kenyon expenses to S. S. and O. Home.....	3	45
By cash, Ida McBride inspector-expenses	28	64
By cash, Agnes Hitt inspector expenses..	26	85
By cash, Clara Bush inspector expenses	24	00
By cash, Melissa Caylor inspector ex- penses.....	24	15

By cash, Emily J. Butterfield inspection expenses.....	\$ 21 60
By cash, Julia Conklin inspection expenses.....	21 15
By cash, telegram.....	25
By cash, expressage on supplies.....	3 95
By cash, Dept. Sec. salary third quarter	50 00
By cash, Dept. Treas. salary third quarter	50 00
By cash, overpaid accounts.....	19
By cash, sundries.....	55
By cash, postage stamps and cards....	26 34
By cash, Dept. Treas. expenses to head-quarters.....	3 00
Total expenditures.....	<u>\$631 00</u>
Balance on hand.....	<u>\$190 86</u>

## DR. FOURTH QUARTER.

To cash, amount on hand.....	\$190 86
To cash, per capita tax.....	430 32
To cash, Charter fees.....	50 00
To cash, supplies.....	417 33
To cash, postage on supplies.....	1 74
To cash, Relief fund.....	5 00
	<u>\$1095 25</u>

## EXPENDITURES.

Cr. cash, Mary D. Travis inspection expense. ....	\$ 7 84
Cr. cash, National Treas. supplies.....	195 39
Cr. cash, E. C. Wilson filling charter..	4 20
Cr. cash, W. R. C. Publishing Co. printing stationery, letter heads.....	9 80
Cr. cash, Dept. Treas. expenses to head-quarters.....	6 10
Cr. cash, expressage on supplies.....	7 30
Cr. cash, wrapping twine.....	05
Cr. cash, telegrams.....	1 00
Cr. cash, postage stamps and cards....	47 23
Cr. cash, Dept. Pres. traveling expenses	4 85
Cr. cash, National Treas. per capita tax	81 75

Cr. cash, Ella D. Zinn expenses visiting committee.....	\$ 29 15
Cr. cash, telephone messages.....	50
Cr. cash, Thesta Alice-Ross expenses auditing committee.....	1 15
Cr. cash, Bush & Walker stationery and printing.....	15 50
Cr. cash, Agnes Hitt expenses as I. and I. officer.....	80
Cr. cash, Dept. Treas. expenses as I. and I. officer.....	4 30
Cr. cash, Dept. Treas. expenses to Kirklin.....	1 20
Cr. cash, Wm. Laurie badge ribbon....	75
Cr. cash, Dept. Sec. salary fourth quarter	50 00
Cr. cash, Dept. Treas. salary fourth quarter.....	50 00
Cr. cash, H. P. Wasson ribbon for delegates badges.....	10 00
Cr. cash, Wm. Haerle tassels delegates badges.....	6 25
Cr. cash, Laura Hess expenses as I. and I. officer.....	85
Cr. cash, Mary R. Athey auditing committee.....	2 75
Cr. cash, Mary R. Athey I. and I. officer	10 08
Cr. cash, Harriett Buchanan inspection expense.....	39 75

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\$588 54

Balance on hand.....\$506 71

## ABSTRACT.

1 Corps charter.....	\$ 25
3½ yards badge ribbon....	70
45 emblems.....	90
44 Rituals.....	7 92
7 Service books.....	1 26
74 Burial service.....	5 92
11 Applications for Membership....	05
1 Memorial Day blank.....	01
300 Corps relief reports.....	1 50
47 Invoice of Supplies to Corps....	37

75 Corps Treas. bonds.....	\$	75
30 Corps Requisitions.....		20
22 sheet music, Opening Ode.....	I	76
67 Ritual cards.....		67
65 Discharge cards.....		83
39 Transfer cards.....		50
33 Visiting cards.....		41
1 Journal.....		70
2 Cash books.....	I	60
1 Roll book.....		80
3 Secretary order books.....	I	20
1 Treasurer receipt book.....		40
2 General Order file.....	I	20
3 large electrotypes.....		90
4 small electrotypes.....		80
1 Dept. Secretary Order book.....		63
1 Dept. Treasurer receipt.....		63
19 Dept. Treas. Consolidated blanks..		95
3 specimen sheets of Ledger.....		09
3 specimen sheets of Cash Book....		09
40 Recognition badges.....	9	20
1,500 Arrearage blanks.....	3	75
10 Initiation March.....	2	00
75 badges.....	22	50
1 Dept. Service book.....		25
81 Ode cards.....		81

## RECAPITULATION.

## General Fund—

Receipts 1st quarter.....	\$	938	18
Receipts 2nd quarter.....		515	08
Receipts 3rd quarter.....		788	66
Receipts 4th quarter.....		899	39

Total receipts.....\$3,141 31

Expenditures 1st quarter.....	1,021	46
Expenditures 2nd quarter.....	514	88
Expenditures 3rd quarter.....	631	00
Expenditures 4th quarter.....	588	54

Total expenditures.....2,755 88

Balance on hand general fund.....385 43



## Relief Fund—

Total receipts.....	46 28	
Total expenditures.....	00	
Balance Relief Fund.....		46 28

## Monument Fund—

Receipts 1st quarter.....	42 00	
Receipts 2nd quarter.....	20 00	
Receipts 3rd quarter.....	13 00	
Receipts 4th quarter.....	00	
Total receipts.....		75 00
Expenditures.....		00
Balance.....		75 00

## W. R. C. Home Fund—

Receipts.....	38 00	
Forwarded to National Treasurer....	38 00	
Total receipts.....	3,300 59	
Total expenditures.....	2,493 88	
Balance on hand.....		\$506 71

## SUPPLEMENTAL.

## Amount received since April 1.

To cash, supplies.....	\$ 34 78	
To cash, per capita tax 1st quarter 1891	170 35	
Total receipts since April 1st.....		\$205 13

## Expended since April 1st.

National Treasurer supplies.....	37 10	
Ida McBride, postage.....	85	
H. P. Wasson, ribbon for delegates badges	6 00	
National Treasurer supplies.....	6 30	
Wm. B. Burford, lithographing badges..	9 00	
Dept. Pres. expenses to S. and S. Home	3 95	
Dept. Treas. expense; to Headquarters	25	
Laura Hess, expenses I. and I. officer..	1 75	
E. C. Wilson, filling charter.....	1 05	
Agnes Hitt, expenses inspection Dec. 20	1 15	
Postmaster, stamps.....	72	
National Treasurer, supplies.....	1 10	
Instituting and Installing officer, postage	1 14	

April 3, Telegraph Co.....	75
Ida Morrison, tablets.....	20
M. M. Pennington, stationery.....	64
Baker & Ranpolph, printing Dist. cards	2 00
Secretary, Y. M. C. A. Hall rent.....	12 50
Bertha Williams, report of Convention..	12 50
Dept. President, expenses to Convention	14 65
Dept. Secretary, expenses to Convention	12 80
Dept. Treasurer, expenses to Convention	12 80
W. R. C. Pub. Co. printing and ribbon..	2 50
Total.....	141 70
Total amount on hand March 31.....	\$506 71
Received since April 1, supplies.....	\$ 39 12
Received per capita tax first quarter.....	204 11
Total receipts.....	749 94
Expended since April 1.....	141 70
Balance on hand.....	608 24

The financial condition of the Department was never better. With no liabilities at the beginning of the year, we have been enabled to materially increase our bank account.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

1st. On account of the small profit to the Department, on Corps Treasurer's bonds, and to save much time and postage, I recommend that they be furnished free to Corps with election return blanks.

2nd. That assistant instituting and installing officers be furnished a copy of Corps Secretary and Treasurer quarterly report blanks, form "A" and "B" with their I. and I. report blanks, and that they be required to give instructions to Corps officers in regard to making their reports.

3rd. That Corps Treasurers be instructed to send no orders for supplies to Department Headquarters from the 1st, until the 15th day in each quarter, that the work upon the consolidated reports be uninterrupted.

I wish to acknowledge the courtesy of the President and Board of Directors of the Bank of Westfield, for the free use of their private office, including gas and furnishings, also to the cashier for issuing and cashing drafts free of charge.

For kindness received at the hands of my sisters of the Woman's Relief Corps throughout the state, and for the charity they have manifested in overlooking my many shortcomings, I return my heartfelt thanks, and request that the same sisterly consideration be shown my successor.

To my loved associate officers, Department President and Secretary, I can only say, that when life's usefulness is over, and I look backward upon the time that "was" no years will seem brighter nor fraught with more pleasant recollections than those of 1890 and '91.

"The memory of things tender maketh warm the heart."

Respectfully Submitted in F. C. and L.,

JULIA S. CONKLIN,

*Department Treasurer.*

#### REPORT OF DEPT. CHAPLAIN.

(The Department Chaplain being absent on account of sickness, her report was read by the Department Secretary.)

I have the honor to submit to you the following report of Memorial Day. It comes to you, with the same report all over the state—a beautiful day—a larger attendance than ever before. The people seem to take more interest in the services. The Sons of Veterans are taking up the work bravely and it will not be long before they will be the only ones to decorate the graves of the soldiers. The future of the Woman's Relief Corps is full of promise, and it is to that, one should turn with steady purpose, and an earnest desire for the "good and welfare," and continued prosperity of our Order. Let us labor faithfully, to build wisely and well, that the world may be better for the part we have taken while in it. May we always bear in mind the widows and the orphans of our dead soldiers by looking after their welfare, remembering that good works live forever.

## MEMORIAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN,

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	Membership of Corps. Number of Members taking part.	Did Corps as a body at- tend Memorial Service?	Membership of Committee on Decoration.	Membership of Committee on Entertainment.	Did the children take part?	How many children?
DeLong	2	Auburn	47	28	yes	all	no	....
General Canby	3	Brazil	30	16	no	6	yes	450
Shiloh Field	5	Elkhart	24	14	yes	3	yes	42
Pachman	6	Madison	22	20	"	"	"	"
Sion S. Bass	7	Fort Wayne	52	35	"	5	no	"
James H. Emmett	8	Wabash	64	64	"	3	no	"
Sanderson	9	New Albany	36	25	"	4	yes	800
Geo. H. Chapman	10	Indianapolis	69	60	"	"	no	"
Morton	11	Terre Haute	88	50	"	3	yes	43
John Craig	12	Jeffersonville	58	39	"	all	no	"
Sedgewick	13	Union City	50	25	"	3	yes	36
Auten	14	South Bend	132	50	"	1	4	43
Elmer	15	Elkhart	36	13	no	3	"	38
Patton	16	LaPorte	59	4	yes	40	"	300
Ed. Temple	17	South Milford	18	14	"	"	"	"
Farragut	18	Evansville	97	50	"	9	no	"
Gen. John A. Logan	19	North Manchester	66	40	"	"	yes	200
George H. Thomas	20	Indianapolis	135	no	"	13	2	no
Burnside	22	Attica	15	6	yes	4	yes	160
Chaplain Brown	24	Valparaiso	38	25	"	1	"	300
Connersville	25	Connersville	58	35	"	6	"	160
Cicero	26	Cicero	35	30	"	all	"	100
Waterloo	27	Waterloo	32	19	"	all	no	"
Logansport	30	Logansport	48	no	"	43	yes	150
Archer	31	Princeton	54	31	yes	14	"	75
Howell	32	Goshen	38	35	"	7	8	53
E. T. Wood	33	Ridgeville	25	20	"	6	7	250
W. B. Reyburn	34	Peru	30	13	no	"	"	125
Tippecanoe	35	Monticello	22	no	"	"	"	400
Hardzog	36	Bremen	22	12	yes	"	"	118
B. J. Crosswait	37	Angola	21	21	"	3	3	100
Frederick Penny	38	Jeffersonville	53	40	"	3	"	20
John F. Ruckle	40	Indianapolis	21	12	"	2	3	no
Sam Henry	41	Decatur	36	25	"	5	yes	300
James R. Slack	42	Huntington	38	no	"	3	yes	30
Joseph R. Gordon	43	Indianapolis	35	20	yes	all	no	"
Maj Robt. Anderson	44	Indianapolis	160	100	"	10	"	"
Sol. Meredith	45	Richmond	88	45	"	"	"	"
Nelson Trusler	46	Winchester	100	85	"	3	yes	100
Deacon	48	New Carlisle	30	22	"	all	"	"
G. H. Thompson	49	Madison	32	30	"	all	no	"
Dumont	51	Shelbyville	63	25	"	2	yes	200
Charles Case	52	Garret	34	25	"	6	"	15
William Smith	54	Sheridan	29	20	"	2	3	49
Warrick	55	Newburg	16	12	"	all	"	18
S. K. Harryman	56	Mooresville	40	30	"	20	14	165
Henry C. Coulter	57	Russiaville	21	8	"	all	"	30
Judson Kilpatrick	58	Fremont	10	6	yes	2	2	12
Geo. W. Stough	59	Columbia City	42	32	no	"	no	"
Duval	60	Liberty	52	45	yes	"	yes	57
W. S. Hancock	61	Veedersburg	13	10	"	5	"	43
J. B. Mason	62	Knightstown	71	25	"	5	"	80
Wm. F. Butler	65	Camden	12	12	"	3	"	15
Warren Banta	66	Liberty Mills	28	21	"	6	3	50
Joel Wolf	68	Rushville	52	30	"	"	"	100
Isham Keith	69	Columbus	24	13	"	"	"	40



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What expense was incurred?	Were refreshments provided for the Post.	Were flowers contributed to Post, or purchased?	Amount expended, if any,	Was a Memorial prepared to "Unknown Dead?"	GENERAL REMARKS BY CORPS CHAPLAIN.
3 28	no	cont.		yes	
3 83	no	"		"	All civic societies attended.
27 25	no	"		"	A general turnout.
20	"	"		"	Delightful time.
15 00	"	"		no	
3 20	no	"		yes	
20 50	no	both	14 00	"	
7 00	no	cont.		"	Everything passed off pleasantly.
6 65	"	"		"	
21 27	yes	"		yes	Corps did the decorating.
15 00	yes	"		"	Flowers presented by President Harrison.
3 00	no	"		"	The schools and some of the societies.
7 00	no	"		no	More generally observed than ever before.
2 35	no	"		yes	Everything passed off pleasantly.
1 68	yes	"		"	Grand parade and services.
8 00	"	"		"	All order out in a body.
5 00	no	"		no	
5 00	"	"		yes	
11 00	"	"		"	Expenses contributed.
21 62	no	"		"	A Cenotaph decorated with evergreens.
2 00	yes	"		"	
3 95	"	"		yes	
3 70	"	"		"	Service very impressive.
2 78	no	"		"	
2 00	no	"		"	
20	no	"		"	Largely attended, a success.
1 50	"	"		no	

## MEMORIAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	Membership of Corps.	Number of Members taking part.	Did Corps as a body attend Memorial Service?	Membership of Committee on Decoration.	Membership of Committee on Entertainment.	Did the children take part?	How many children?
Major May.....	70	Anderson.....	60	40	yes	5	yes	...	...
Fairfax.....	71	Westfield.....	35	22	..	..	..	..	70
Lookout.....	72	Noblesville.....	101	35	..	..	4	..	153
Poone.....	73	Zionsville.....	26	..	..	..	..	..	32
McPherson.....	74	Crawfordsville.....	51	..	no	12	..	no	...
Perryville.....	75	Broad Ripple.....	25	22	yes	..	..	..	...
Major Patton.....	76	Vevay.....	25	20	..	3	4	yes	85
Stephen J. Bailey..	77	Portland.....	59	40	..	5	5	yes	22
James Price.....	78	Tipton.....	38	20	..	5	..	no	...
Veteran.....	79	Winamac.....	27	20	..	3	3	yes	70
Bennett.....	80	Kewanna.....	26	18	..	..	..	..	45
Fahler.....	81	Star City.....	27	20	..	2	..	..	150
Miles H. Tibbits..	82	Plymouth.....	39	20	..	..	..	no	...
John Wheeler.....	83	Crown Point.....	30	30	..	all	4	yes	60
Stone River.....	84	Frankfort.....	55	26	..	6	3	..	500
Fountain City.....	85	Fountain City.....	20	20	..	4	..	..	10
David K. Stopher..	86	Harlan.....	19	12	..	3	..	..	12
Lew Daily.....	87	Bluffton.....	41	34	..	17	6	..	...
Jeff. C. Davis.....	88	Vincennes.....	32	15	..	10	5	yes	50
Ben. North.....	89	Rising Sun.....	24	13	..	..	..	..	100
Winchester.....	90	Gosport.....	30	22	..	8	4	..	50
Paul E. Slocum.....	92	Bloomington.....	40	35	..	5	5	..	100
John A. Plaiter....	93	Aurora.....	64	39	..	..	..	no	...
T. J. Harrison.....	94	Kokomo.....	59	22	..	6	..	no	...
George W. Leonard..	96	New Castle.....	38	35	..	4	..	yes	34
Boothroyd.....	97	Delphi.....	15	..	no	..	..	..	50
Oliver Short.....	98	Rossville.....	22	16	yes	3	3	..	80
Monroe Layman....	99	Warren.....	21	10	..	3	..	..	90
Wm. A. Boyd.....	100	Dublin.....	34	..	..	5	..	..	70
G. W. Robinson....	101	Somerset.....	18	16	..	..	..	..	...
Spencer.....	102	Rockport.....	38	26	..	4	..	no	...
Shively.....	103	Huntingburg.....	15	12	..	..	..	..	...
Hiram G. Fisher....	104	Lapel.....	36	8	..	5	5	yes	30
Stillwell.....	105	Colfax.....	20	12	..	all	..	no	...
Gettysburg.....	106	Spencer.....	48	40	yes	1	..	yes	100
Harrow.....	107	Mount Vernon.....	20	6	no	6	..	..	42
Put Evans.....	108	Sharpsville.....	26	21	yes	3	..	..	50
Jesse S. Ogden.....	112	Danville.....	68	50	..	all	..	..	50
Pap Thomas.....	113	Greensburg.....	44	30	..	3	4	..	43
George Miller.....	114	Windfall.....	26	12	..	all	1	..	44
Leslie.....	115	Seelysville.....	27	27	..	7	..	..	20
Elwood.....	117	Elwood.....	34	25	..	..	..	..	12
Williams.....	119	Muncie.....	50	4	..	3	..	..	100
Benton.....	120	Fowler.....	30	1	..	..	..	no	...
Joe Cook.....	121	Lynn.....	29	20	..	all	5	yes	12
Staunton.....	123	Staunton.....	29	20	..	all	..	..	...
Jacob Stahl.....	124	Hartford City.....	30	23	..	1	..	yes	100
Rich Mountain....	125	Lebanon.....	39	22	..	2	..	..	200
Goodland.....	126	Goodland.....	34	34	..	8	..	..	150
George Wright.....	127	Clark's Hill.....	22	20	..	3	..	..	76
Beeson.....	128	Fairmount.....	36	36	..	1	3	..	125
Carroll.....	129	Stockwell.....	16	11	..	3	..	..	...
Martin.....	130	Westville.....	13	..	..	1	10	..	40
George W. Rader..	131	Middletown.....	54	32	yes	4	..	..	102
B. A. James.....	132	Walton.....	12	12	..	5	..	..	75
Harmon Rayl.....	133	Spiceland.....	20	20	..	5	..	..	36

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10 00	no	cont.		yes	Appropriate service.
4 66	no			"	Large attendance, excellent program rendered.
2 10	no			"	
20 00	no			"	Service at court house. Short speeches.
	yes			no	
2 79				yes	A pleasant time, good speech.
35 00				no	
2 00				yes	For banner \$35.00.
none	no			"	Large crowd out.
2 55				"	
5 00				"	Ceremonies impressive.
5 00				"	
6 64	no			no	Crowd estimated 800.
	no			yes	Better observed than ever before.
60				no	Larger attendance than ever before.
				yes	
15 00	no			"	
36	no			no	Services well attended.
				yes	Largely attended, a success.
	no			"	A large floral cross.
				"	
				"	Large gathering.
				yes	No remarks.
7 00				"	A joyous time.
1 70	no			"	
1 32	no			"	
1 50				no	
				yes	Nice services.
				no	
				yes	
				yes	
11 67	no			"	Fine entertainment.
91				no	
2 50	no			no	
				yes	Good attendance.
				"	
				no	

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NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	Membership of Corps.	Number of Members taking part.	Did Corps as a body attend Memorial Service?	Membership of Committee on Decoration.	Membership of Committee on Entertainment.	Did the children take part?	How many children?
Bowman .....	134	Hagerstown .....	23	5	yes	5	4	yes	85
Lot Bloomfield.....	136	Hammond .....	16	14	"	.....	.....	"	400
Moses Herron.....	137	Farmland .....	15	14	"	.....	.....	"	50
Johnson .....	138	Montpelier .....	34	.....	.....	3	.....	"	96
John C. Carnes.....	139	St. Joe.....	15	.....	no	2	.....	no	.....
John Murry.....	140	Pierceton .....	54	20	"	20	5	yes	20



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.....	no	cont.		yes	Large audience.
.....	.....	.....		"	
.....	.....	.....		"	
.....	yes	.....		no	Post presented with uniform caps and flag and staff.
.....	.....	.....		no	
.....	no	.....		yes	

There are twenty-nine reports without "General Remarks" The reports with remarks are generally too lengthy for satisfactory abbreviation; but the expressions of nearly all of these are that the day was pleasant and the ceremonies more impressive and the attendance larger than ever before.

## SUMMARY.

Corps reporting.....	117
Corps taking part in services.....	101
Members taking part in services.....	2,887
Children taking part in services.....	9,227
Expenses incurred.....	\$342 90
Memorials to unknown dead.....	93

There were nine Corps who failed to send their reports in time for my report to National Chaplain; therefore they will not receive the credit due them. It should be impressed upon the minds of all Corps Presidents the necessity of having their Chaplain send in their reports by the second week in June, so all will receive due credit.

MARY J. McCARTHY,

*Department Chaplain.*

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DEATHS.

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*"Leaves have their time to fall,  
And flowers to wither at north wind's breath,  
And stars to set—but all,  
Thou hast all seasons for thine own—oh, Death."  
—Mrs. Hemon.*

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Members deceased between the dates April 1, 1890 and  
April 1, 1891.

NO.			
71	Fairfax	Westfield	Ida Head Jan. 13, 1890
75	Perryville	Br'd Ripple	Martha Magram Jan. 21, 1890
51	Dumont	Shelbyville	Mary Corwin Jan. 22, 1890
35	Tippecanoe	Monticello	Catherine Perkins Feb. 27, 1890
35	Tippecanoe	Monticello	Carrie Wolverton Mch. 6, 1890
91	Meade	Butler	Melissa Beggs Mch. 7, 1890
7	Sion S. Bass	Fort Wayne	Phoebe Winch Mch. 23, 1890
46	Nelson Trusler	Winchester	Rachel L. Mills Mch. 23, 1890
49	Geo. Thompson	Madison	Sarah P. Pougé
12	John Craig	J'ff'rs'nville	Joanna Selmer April 13, 1890
7	Sion S. Bass	Fort Wayne	Fannie L. Yeager April 29, 1890
51	Dumont	Shelbyville	Zorada Vanorsdall May 4, 1890
11	Morton	T're Haute	Elizabeth Hamilton July 6, 1890
125	Rich Mountain	Lebanon	Mary Perkins July 12, 1890
16	Patton	LaPorte	Rose Guenther July 18, 1890
68	Joel Wolfe	Rushville	Frances Clements July 21, 1890
112	Jesse S. Ogden	Danville	Cora Belle Cook July 27, 1890
82	Miles Tibbetts	Plymouth	Lavina Freese July 28, 1890
115	Leslie	Sheel'yville	Mary J. Compton Aug. 5, 1890
72	Lookout	Noblesville	Mary Ross Aug. 8, 1890
31	Archer	Princeton	Lettie Twineham Aug. 23, 1890
95	Franklin	Hortonville	Martha Torrance Aug. 30, 1890
66	Warren Banta	Lib'ty Mills	Lavina Beshore Sept. 9, 1890
42	F. R. Slack	Huntington	Flora Myers Sept. 18, 1890
5	Shiloh Field	Elkhart	Lizzie Kelley Sept. 28, 1890

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119 Williams	Muncie	Mary V. Wilsey	Sept. 28, 1890
19 John A. Logan	N. Manch'tr	Ada Congill	Oct. 3, 1899
108 Put Evans	Sharpsville	Mattie Mitchell	Oct. 3, 1890
125 Rich Mountain	Lebanon	Martha Kersey	Oct. 20, 1890
63 Gen. Shunk	Marion	Lucinda Williams	Oct. 20, 1890
71 Fairfax	Westfield	Hettie O. Estes	Oct. 23, 1890
124 Jacob Stahl	H'rtf'rd C'y	Mary J. Pugh	Nov. 16, 1890
41 Sam Henry	Decatur	Florence Blossom	Nov. 18, 1890
44 Maj. Anderson	Indian'p'l's	Hulda Amos	Dec. 5, 1890
90 Winchester	Gosport	Melinda Johnson	Dec. 21, 1890
53 King David	Mt. Vernon	Harriet McDow	Dec. 21, 1890
110 Hackleman	Brookville	Ruth Stoops	Jan. 25, 1891
63 Gen. Shunk	Marion	Lee W. Steele	Feb. 17, 1891

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## REPORT OF DEPT. INSPECTOR.

ELKHART, IND., MARCH 30, 1891.

MARY A. BOYD,

*Department Secretary W. R. C.*

In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Woman's Relief Corps, which provides for an annual inspection of Corps, the Department Inspector and her assistants, visited and inspected one hundred and twenty-nine Corps.

The work was delayed until late in October, waiting for communication from National Inspector, which was received at Department Headquarters October 15th, Inspector's blanks were received later.

The Inspectors were called together before beginning their work, and were given instructions which they in turn imparted to Corps, hoping to bring the work nearer uniformity by this method, but we regret exceedingly that the change of Rituals had not been made previous to Inspection, for many instructions given were directly in opposition to the new Rituals, and it seemed after examining the new work, that our time and labor in these cases was labor lost.

Be that as it may, each Inspector endeavored to accomplish all the good she could, and be of some service to the Corps she visited; but notwithstanding the efforts made, some Corps were not regularly inspected. No. 22, Attica, could not have a meeting when the Inspector was there on account of sickness. No. 36, Bremen, could not be reached on the appointed day, because of changes in time of trains, and it was impossible to have an inspection later. The President of Frankfort Corps, No. 84, was sick; and Elwood Corps, No. 117, was moving into a new hall, hence neither were inspected.

The membership reported in good standing is 5,084 showing a gain of 841 from October 1st, 1889, to October 1st, 1890. Average attendance of officers for same period is  $6\frac{3}{4}$ . Average attendance of members is  $16\frac{1}{2}$ .

Major Robert Anderson Corps, No. 44, Indianapolis, reported the largest number in good standing, and Hagan Corps, No. 50, of Buffaloville, the smallest.

Amount of money reported in the Relief Fund \$3,309.57. Amount expended for relief \$3,045.59, with an estimated value of relief other than money \$1,594.50, making altogether \$4,640.09 expended in relief from October 1st, 1889, to October 1st, 1890. Logansport Corps No. 30, report more relief extended than any other Corps, with Farragut No. 18, of Evansville as second best.

Forty-one Corps are marked "Excellent," forty-four are "Good," thirty-five "Fair" and five are "Poor."

We find, as has been reported in previous years, some Corps that do not wish to be governed by Rules and Regulations of the order, but prefer to make laws to suit themselves, and it appears very hard for them to understand the necessity of obeying all laws to the letter. We would, if possible impress upon the minds of Corps Presidents, the importance of close attention to General Orders, and of making themselves thoroughly familiar with their contents.

The year's work, while requiring the expenditure of much time and thought, has been fraught with many very pleasant experiences that will be cherished by us until the end of life. We have found some very dear friends, who will ever be remembered.

To the Department officers, as well as all who so kindly assisted in this work, I cannot express my appreciation and my regard, all have been so ready to render any service for the advancement of the cause.

May we ever be found ready to respond to duty's call, that the world may be better, that when our life's work is done it may be said of us, "She done what she could."

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

IDA S. MCBRIDE,

*Department Inspector.*

## SYNOPSIS OF INSPECTION.

Corps No. 2, Auburn.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. An excellent Corps, in prosperous condition.

No. 3, Brazil.—Agnes Hitt, Inspector. This Corps did not have a full inspection, but prospects good.

No. 4, Ellettsville.—Not inspected.

No. 5, Elkhart.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. A good Corps, doing splendid work, but could accomplish much more, if all the members were more regular in attendance.

No. 6, Madison.—Julia Conklin, Inspector. Members of this Corps are earnest, and faithful, and perform their work well.

No. 7, Fort Wayne.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. Corps in excellent condition, understanding and performing their work well.

No. 8, Wabash.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. This is a splendid Corps, doing a great deal of relief work. But the interest is not what it should be.

No. 9, New Albany.—Julia Conklin, Inspector. Prospects good, members are ladies of excellent character, and qualifications.

No. 10, Indianapolis.—Mary D. Travis, Inspector. George H. Chapman Corps in a good and prosperous condition, understand the work and are anxious to perform it well.

No. 11, Terre Haute.—Agnes Hitt, Inspector. Excellent in every particular.

No. 12, Jeffersonville.—Julia Conklin, Inspector. This Corps does good work. Books well kept, members earnest in the performance of their duty.

No. 13, Union City.—Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. An excellent Corps, and proud to so report it.

No. 14, South Bend.—Melissa Caylor, Inspector. One of our best Corps, composed of intelligent, energetic women, who are alive to the interest and welfare of the Corps.

No. 15, Elkhart.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. This Corps is in excellent condition. They exemplify the work beautifully.

No. 16, LaPorte.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. A good Corps, doing a large relief work, but members should familiarize themselves, more perfectly with the work.

No. 17, South Milford.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. A Corps weak in number, but strong in energy and enthusiasm, doing a work of which a much larger Corps might well be proud. Prospects good.

No. 18, Evansville.—Emily J. Butterfield, Inspector. An excellent Corps, nearly perfect in ritualistic work; very thorough. Doing an excellent relief work.

No. 19, North Manchester.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. I find this Corps in excellent condition, and very prosperous, working in harmony, and accomplishing much good.

No. 20, Indianapolis.—Mary D. Travis, Inspector. Geo. H. Thomas Corps in most flourishing condition. Officers competent, books well kept, and the work done in a thorough business-like manner.

No. 21, Ft. Branch.—Emily J. Butterfield, Inspector. This is a new Corps, but they deserve the highest commendation for the neat and business-like appearance of their books. They have had the misfortune to have their hall burned losing their charter, rituals, etc.

No. 22.—Not inspected.

No. 23, Greencastle.—Agnes Hitt, Inspector. The prospects of this Corps are growing better, doing excellent work for the poor and needy.

No. 24, Valpariso.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. This is one of our very best Corps, composed of intelligent, earnest women working in harmony for the advancement of our cause, and their efforts are being rewarded.

No. 25, Connersville.—Melissa Caylor, Inspector. This Corps is in excellent condition, the books are models of neatness. They are doing a good relief work and growing in strength and interest.

No. 26, Cicero.—Melissa Caylor, Inspector. This Corps is in a very good condition. Members earnest and energetic, books well kept.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF DEPARTMENT OF

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	Number of regular meetings in the year				Is the number of Rituals complete?	Are all Orders received read to the Corps by the Secretary?	Are they obeyed?	Are all National and Dep't. General Orders preserved and filed?	Are all National and Dep't. Conv'n proceedings preserved and filed?	Have all reports and dues been forwarded to Dep't. Headquarters?	Amount charged for initiation, not including price of badge.
			Number of members in good standing.	Average attendance of officers.	Average attendance of members including officers.								
DeLong .....	2	Auburn .....	24	50	7	17½	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	\$1 00
General Canby .....	3	Brazil .....	21	26	4	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
F. D. Matthews .....	4	Ellettsville .....	22	24	6	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Shiloh Field .....	5	Elkhart .....	24	21	6	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
A. O. Bachmat .....	6	Madison .....	24	58	8	23	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Sion S. Bass .....	7	Fort Wayne .....	24	58	8	24	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
James H. Emmett .....	8	Wabash .....	24	25	8	10	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Sanderson .....	9	New Albany .....	52	79	8	35	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Geo. H. Chapman .....	10	Indianapolis .....	24	78	7	37	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Morton .....	11	Terre Haute .....	52	62	6	20	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
John Craig .....	12	Jeffersonville .....	51	51	6	18	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Sedgewick .....	13	Union City .....	52	128	10	42	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Auten .....	14	South Bend .....	46	35	6	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Elmer .....	15	Elkhart .....	44	58	7	15	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Patton .....	16	LaPorte .....	11	17	7	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Ed. Temple .....	17	South Milford .....	23	100	7	26	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Farragut .....	18	Evansville .....	51	62	8	66	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Gen. John A. Logan .....	19	North Manchester .....	22	140	7	42	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
George H. Thomas .....	20	Indianapolis .....	9	12	5	7	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Stephen Meade .....	21	Ft. Branch .....	22	17	15	15	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Burnside .....	22	Attica .....	24	26	10	16	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Greencastle .....	23	Greencastle .....	22	39	9	25	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Chaplain Brown .....	24	Valparaiso .....	24	58	8	25	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Connorsville .....	25	Connorsville .....	24	33	9	15	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Cicero .....	26	Cicero .....	23	30	7½	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Waterloo .....	27	Waterloo .....	24	16	7	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	50
McPheeters .....	28	Fredricksburg .....	19	15	7	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
J. H. Danseur .....	29	LaGrange .....	21	49	6	17	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Logansport .....	30	Logansport .....	48	51	6	17	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Archer .....	31	Princeton .....	48	24	8	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Howell .....	32	Goshen .....	33	48	24	8	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	55
E. T. Wood .....	33	Ridgeville .....	24	42	9	17	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
W. B. Keyburn .....	34	Peru .....	14	is	ban	ded	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Tippecanoe .....	35	Monticello .....	19	21	7	11½	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Hardzog .....	36	Bremen .....	23	21	5	20	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
B. J. Crosswait .....	37	Angola .....	24	52	6	20	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Frederick Penny .....	38	Jeffersonville .....	36	47	6	20	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Rensselaer .....	39	Rensselaer .....	16	18	6	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
John F. Ruckle .....	40	Indianapolis .....	24	34	7½	15 4-7	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Sam Henry .....	41	Decatur .....	24	38	6½	15½	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
James R. Slack .....	42	Huntington .....	24	35	8	17	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Joseph R. Gordon .....	43	Indianapolis .....	24	147	8	58	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Maj Robt. Anderson .....	44	Indianapolis .....	24	99	6	36	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Sol. Meredith .....	45	Richmond .....	50	104	9	30	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Nelson Truster .....	46	Winchester .....	17	29	86½	14	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Deacon .....	47	New Carlisle .....	24	20	10	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
G. H. Thompson .....	48	Madison .....	14	10	8	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Hagan .....	49	Buffaloville .....	26	63	7	33	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Dumont .....	50	Shelbyville .....	52	33	6	14	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Charles Case .....	51	Shelbyville .....	13	24	8	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
King David .....	52	Mt. Vernon .....	13	24	8	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00



## DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA.

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12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	1	2	3	4	1	Good.	Fair.	Poor.
\$1 00	yes	\$65 57	\$7 45	\$8 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	32 96	7 35	8 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	15 00	29 34	37 50	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	no	no	1			
1 00	yes	9 35	5 00	45 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	60 23	56 37	1 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	40 40	80 67	22 80	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	49 48	31 25	17 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	26 65	95 25	10 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	160 73	40 40	80 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	39 00	50 80	80 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	no	1			
1 00	yes	17 40	50 00	50 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	331 65	28 88	139 45	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	13 46	21 95	115 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	6 43	23 00	115 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	5 00	65 3 30	3 30	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	71 41	204 96	139 45	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	73 06	43 51	26 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	173 76	92 85	26 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	5 00	10 00	5 00	no	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	1			
1 00	no	3 10	10 00	5 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	41 57	62 25	34 50	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	28 78	41 23	30 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	1			
80	yes	18 71	30 00	30 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	8 85	6 18	1 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1			
60	yes	9 00	9 00	1 70	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	61 00	9 00	1 70	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	10 00	401 48	100 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	39 00	46 80	10 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	24 28	11 19	3 32	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1			
60	yes	4 50	2 00	9 45	no	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	1			
1 00	yes	77 70	44 25	17 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1			
60	yes	33 14	2 50	10 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	15 13	25 00	10 00	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	no	no	1			
1 40	yes	7 00	59 00	8 00	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	1			
1 00	yes	41 77	32 75	15 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	1 25	11 00	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	23 44	16 57	5 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	24 49	50 00	5 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	5 27	8 00	5 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	16 05	31 00	55 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	49 45	135 81	25 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	14 00	35 84	10 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	2 93	10 75	28 95	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	3 00	40 00	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	1			
40	yes	1 00	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	1			
1 00	yes	78 49	97 54	3 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1			
1 00	yes	11 00	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	1			
32	no	5 75	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	1			

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William Smith.....	54	Sheridan .....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Warrick .....	55	Newburg .....	13	18 4		9	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	\$1 00
S. K. Harryman.....	56	Mooreville .....	24	50 7½		18	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Henry C. Couter.....	57	Russiasville .....	24	27 5		10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Judson Kilpatrick.....	58	Fremont .....	12	19 8		.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Geo. W. Stough.....	59	Columbia City .....	26	42 8		15	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Duval .....	60	Liberty .....	24	61 6		17	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
W. S. Hancock.....	61	Veederburg .....	24	14 8		11	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
J. B. Mason.....	62	Knights town .....	24	69 8½		19 ¾	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Gen. Shunk.....	63	Marion .....	24	106 8 5-24		49 ½	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Samuel H. Dunbar.....	64	Greenfield .....	24	23 6 9-10		18 7-10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Wm. L. Butler.....	65	Camden .....	24	20 6		8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Warren Banta.....	66	Liberty Mills .....	43	28 8½		23	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Girard .....	67	Monon .....	24	28 6		15	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 05
Joel Wolf.....	68	Rushville .....	24	48 8		20	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Isham Keith.....	69	Columbus .....	Dis banded			.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Major May.....	70	Anderson .....	24	47 7		19	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Fairfax .....	71	Westfield .....	24	37 6		14	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Lookout .....	72	Noblesville .....	24	85 7		32	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Hoone .....	73	Zionsville .....	28	28 6		18	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
McPherson .....	74	Crawfordsville .....	12	51 8		25	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Perryville.....	75	Broad Ripple .....	20	24 8		12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Major Patton.....	76	Vevay .....	24	25 6		15	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Stephen J. Bailey.....	77	Portland .....	23	68 6 7-23		24	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
James Price.....	78	Tipton .....	24	35 7		15	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Veteran .....	79	Winamac .....	24	16 7		14	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Bennett .....	80	Kewanna .....	36	30 8		14	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Fahler .....	81	Star City .....	26	21 8		15	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Miles H. Tibbits.....	82	Plymouth .....	20	41 7		18	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
John Wheeler.....	83	Crown Point .....	29	33 6½		13	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Stone River.....	84	Frankfort .....	24	53 7		25	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Fountain City.....	85	Fountain City.....	Dis banded			.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
David K. Stopher.....	86	Harlan .....	33	17 6 3-5		.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Jeff. C. Davis.....	88	Vincennes .....	24	22 6		17	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Levy Daily.....	87	Huflon .....	24	57 8		20	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Ben. North.....	89	Rising Sun .....	24	21 5		12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Winchester .....	90	Gosport .....	24	31 8		28	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Merde .....	91	Butler .....	18	32 8		10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Paul E. Slocum.....	92	Bloomington .....	24	40 8		14	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
John A. Platter.....	93	Aurora .....	24	74 8		28	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
T. J. Harrison.....	94	Kokomo .....	16	64 8		18	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Franklin .....	95	Hortonville .....	26	24 6		12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
George W. Leonard.....	96	New Castle .....	24	54 8		32	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Bonthroyd .....	97	Delphi .....	24	29 7		11	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Oliver Short.....	98	Rossville .....	11	16 6		10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Wm. A. Boyd.....	100	Dublin .....	24	24 5		20	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
G. W. Robinson.....	101	Somerset .....	19	20 6		10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Spencer .....	102	Rockport .....	19	38 8		15	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Shively .....	103	Huntingburg .....	14	20 5		10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Hiram G. Fisher.....	104	Lapel .....	23	35 8		17	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Stillwell.....	105	Colfax .....	24	17 4		9	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00

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12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	1	2	3	4				
\$1 00	yes	\$ 5 00	\$ 6 00	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
40	yes	10 00	7 00	3 00	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
80	yes	9 83	9 00	15 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	20 58	.....	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
60	no	.....	10 00	7 00	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	42 77	3 15	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	25 64	14 55	46 75	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	no	.....	.....	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
50	yes	3 61	17 75	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	122 70	116 24	35 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	35 40	36 60	6 10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	6 25	10 00	2 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	3 60	2 81	10 50	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
50	yes	14 00	18 20	12 75	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	14 30	9 66	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	91 55	89 05	20 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	7 80	24 50	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
80	yes	23 00	39 77	21 50	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
80	yes	7 53	8 88	22 23	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	125 23	47 74	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
60	yes	7 75	5 00	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	2 00	20 00	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	15 00	16 54	40 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	8 00	13 55	4 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
80	yes	15 00	11 13	11 30	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
80	yes	3 60	3 00	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
80	yes	21 78	8 02	50 00	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	23 79	.....	.....	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	10 00	23 54	15 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	11 35	.....	15 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	10 00	5 23	12 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	24 00	12 50	20 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	7 29	11 95	7 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	3 18	20 00	6 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	35 00	15 50	.....	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	14 86	10 68	.....	no	yes	no	.....	.....	.....	.....	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	6 00	39 14	6 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	35 00	15 00	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	111 39	71 58	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
60	yes	3 73	2 14	1 60	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	9 22	13 95	3 50	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	10 09	18 40	34 60	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	3 17	.....	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	10 00	1 86	4 50	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	29 36	3 72	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	17 45	12 50	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
60	yes	1 00	.....	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	18 38	43 09	20 00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
1 00	yes	5 05	.....	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....

## EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION W. R. C.

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Gettysburg	106	Spencer	1	2	3									
Harrow	107	Mount Vernon	24	47 9	21	4	5	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Put Evans	108	Sharpsville	13	20 3	12		10	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Ellwood Hill	109	Carthage	24	29 6	12		10	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Hackleman	110	Brookville	26	13 7	10		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Leamon Griffith	111	Hamilton	Not inspected											1 00
Jesse S. Ogden	112	Danville	14	31 8	15		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
Pap Thomas	113	Greensburg	12	63 9	24		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
George Miller	114	Windfall	24	48 8	23		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Leslie	115	Scelysville	52	30 7	10		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Frank Jones	116	Trenton	24	30 9	20		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Elwood	117	Elwood	52	21 8	18		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Delaney	118	Indianapolis	24	29 9	16		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Williams	119	Muncie	21	3	5		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Benton	120	Fowler	24	52 8	17		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Joe Cook	121	Lynn	24	24 5	15		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
John F. Grill	122	Evansville	52	25 6	12		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Staunton	123	Staunton	18	26 5	11		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Jacob Stahl	124	Hartford City	24	26 7	10		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Rich Mountain	125	Lebanon	26	29 9	13		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Goodland	126	Goodland	24	41 8	20		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
George Wright	127	Clark's Hill	52	35 6	15		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Reeson	128	Fairmount	24	19 6	12		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Carroll	129	Stockwell	24	24 7 3/4	14 3-5		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Martin	130	Westville	24	17 8	9		10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
George W. Rader	131	Middletown	14	14 6			10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
B. A. James	132	Walton	24	54 8 1/2	26		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Harmon Rayl	133	Spiceland	24	17 7	12		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Bowman	134	Hagerstown	24	22 7 3/4	9 1/2		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
C. M. Leonard	135	Dalton	52	25 7 4-32	12 1-32		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Lot Bloomfield	136	Hammond					10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
Moses Herron	137	Farmiland	13	22 5	10		10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
John C. Carnes	138	Montpelier	52	21 8	15		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
John C. Carnes	139	St. Joe	52	34 8	21		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
John Murry	140	Piercetown	9	16	9 1/2		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
A. H. Cockrum	141	Oakland City	18	41 8	18		10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	1 00
			6	18 6	11		10	no	no	no	no	no	no	1 00
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## DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA.

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INDIANA W. R. C. FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30, 1890.

Amount charged for yearly dues.	Is there a Relief Fund?	Amount of money in Relief Fund.	Am't expended for relief from Oct. 1, 1889 to Oct. 1, 1890.	Estimated value of Relief other than money.	Have books of Sec'y and Treas. been examined by Fin'ce Com.?	Is the Charter in the hall at every regular meeting?	Has every member a copy of the Rules and Regulations?	Are copies of Reg. Quarterly Relief reports sent to the Post?	Are reports accepted by the Post?	Do the Post and Corps work in harmony?	Did Corps Representative report proceedings of last Dep't Conve'n?	Is the work of the Ritual memorized?	Is it properly performed?	Are the records complete?	Are they properly kept?	GRADE.			
																Excellent.	Good.	Fair.	Poor.
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	1	2	3	4				
1 00	yes	11 00	9 85	8 20	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	..	..	..	..
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164	3309 57	3045 59	1594 50	99	131	125	84	84	131	97	34	73	109	104	41	44	35	5	

No. 27, Waterloo.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. An excellent Corps that prides itself on the proper performance of the work, and is always ready to respond to calls for relief.

No. 28, Fredericksburg.—Julia Conklin, Inspector. This Corps is composed of excellent ladies who work in harmony, and do all they can for the prosperity of the Corps.

No. 29, LaGrange.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. This is a weak Corps, but they are hoping for an increase in membership. They are deficient in knowledge of the ritualistic work. Treasurer's book well kept.

No. 30, Logansport.—Agnes Hitt, Inspector. Excellent in condition. Prospects good.

No. 31, Princeton.—Emily J. Butterfield, Inspector. This is a good Corps growing stronger every year.

No. 32, Goshen.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. This is an excellent Corps in prosperous condition, books well kept.

No. 33, Ridgeville.—Harriet Buchanan, Inspector. This Corps is in fair condition, members do not see the necessity of adhering to Rules and Regulations. Have decreased in numbers.

No. 34, Peru.—Clara E. Bush, Inspector. This Corps is doing splendid work, and is constantly growing in membership.

No. 35.—Disbanded.

No. 36.—No inspection.

No. 37, Angola.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. This is a good Corps, but for various reasons, there has been but little interest taken during the last year. They are capable of doing much good, and I think next year will find them in the foremost ranks.

No. 38, Jeffersonville.—Julia Conklin, Inspector. Fred Penny Corps is composed of earnest women, who are anxious to learn.

No. 39, Rensselaer.—Clara E. Bush, Inspector. A prosperous Corps, doing a grand work.

No. 40, Indianapolis.—Mary D. Travis, Inspector. Lack of interest in members, prospects poor.

No. 41, Decatur.—Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. This Corps is laboring under disadvantages. Their records are beautifully kept, and I look for a bright report in the future.

No. 42, Huntington.—Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. An excellent Corps, members earnest in their desire to promote the welfare of our order.

No. 43, Indianapolis.—Mary D. Travis, Inspector. J. R. Gordon Corps is fairly prosperous.

No. 44, Indianapolis.—Mary D. Travis, Inspector. Maj. Robert Anderson Corps in fair condition. Books and records carefully kept.

No. 45, Richmond.—Agnes Hitt, Inspector, reports this Corps excellent.

No. 46, Winchester.—Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. Another most excellent Corps.

No. 47, New Carlisle.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. A good Corps, in prosperous condition.

No. 49, Madison.—Julia Conklin, Inspector. This Corps is in good working order.

No. 50, Buffalo.—Emily J. Butterfield, Inspector. A new Corps with good prospects.

No. 51, Shelbyville.—Julia Conklin, Inspector. An excellent corps in every respect.

No. 52, Garrett.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. A good corps in prosperous condition.

No. 53, Mt. Vernon.—Emily J. Butterfield, Inspector. This corps is in poor condition.

No. 54, Sheridan.—Clara E. Bush, Inspector. A weak corps but good indications for increased membership.

No. 55, Newburg.—Emily J. Butterfield, Inspector. This corps is in fair condition. They have done good service in relief work.

No. 56, Mooresville.—Agnes Hitt, Inspector. A good corps, doing the work well.

No. 57, Russiaville.—Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. A good corps.

No. 58, Fremont.--Ida S. McBride, Inspector. A good corps, members doing what they can.

No. 59, Columbia City.--Ida S. McBride Inspector. An excellent corps of earnest, intelligent women, interested in the order.

No. 60, Liberty.--Melissa Caylor, Inspector. A good corps, doing good work

No. 61, Veedersburg.--Agnes Hitt, Inspector. A new corps, anxious to succeed, and willing to learn and is a great benefit to Post.

No. 62, Knightstown.--Agnes Hitt, Inspector, reports this corps excellent in every particular.

No. 63, Marion.--Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. An excellent corps, adhering closely to Rules and Regulations, and doing much to promote the welfare of our order.

No. 64, Greenfield.--Agnes Hitt, Inspector. A good corps, after great discouragements have succeeded in accomplishing much good.

No. 65, Camden.--Clara E. Bush, Inspector. A good corps though small they are looking hopefully to the future.

No. 66, Liberty Mills.--Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. A good corps of earnest women, anxious to do their work well.

No. 67, Monon.--Clara E. Bush, Inspector. Corps small but doing good work.

No. 68, Rushville.--Melissa Caylor, Inspector. A good corps, books well kept.

No. 69.--Corps disbanded.

No. 70, Anderson.--Ida S. McBride, Inspector. An excellent corps, doing good work.

No. 71, Westfield.--Clara E. Bush, Inspector. Corps in good order, working harmoniously.

No. 72, Noblesville.--Agnes Hitt, Inspector, reports this corps excellent.

No. 73, Zionsville.--Melissa Caylor, Inspector. A good corps in prosperous condition.

No. 74, Crawfordsville.--Agnes Hitt, Inspector. This corps is in excellent condition.

No. 75, Broad Ripple.--Clara E. Bush, Inspector. This corps deserves great credit for past work.

No. 76, Vevay.--Julia Conklin, Inspector. Owing to peculiar circumstances was not inspected.

No. 77, Portland.--Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector, reports this corps excellent in every particular.

No. 78, Tipton.--Clara E. Bush, Inspector. This corps is doing a good work, prospects bright.

No. 79, Winamac.--Agnes Hitt, Inspector. A good corps, prospects growing brighter.

No. 80, Kewanna.--Melissa Caylor, Inspector. This corps is in prosperous condition.

No. 81, Star City.--Agnes Hitt, Inspector. A good corps, the average attendance shows an unusual interest

No. 82, Plymouth.--Melissa Caylor, Inspector. Owing to a misunderstanding did not have a full inspection.

No. 83, Crown Point.--Ida S. McBride, Inspector. An excellent corps, in good working order.

No. 84, Frankfort.--Not inspected.

No. 85, Fountain City.--Disbanded.

No. 86, Harlan.--Ida S. McBride, Inspector. A good corps anxious to receive instructions, and desirous of performing the work properly. They have rendered the Post great assistance, and are entitled to much credit.

No. 87, Bluffton.--Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. A good corps.

No. 88, Vincennes.--Emily J. Butterfield, Inspector. This corps has overcome great obstacles in the way of their advancement. They are coming into the sunlight and will take a place among the highest in the ranks.

No. 89, Rising Sun.--Julia Conklin, Inspector, reports this corps in good condition.

No. 90, Gosport.--Agnes Hitt, Inspector. The prospects of this corps are good.

No. 91, Butler.--Ida S. McBride, Inspector. A good corps, but could accomplish much more if the members took greater interest in the work.

No. 92, Bloomington.--Agnes Hitt, Inspector. Excellent in condition and prospects.

No. 93, Aurora.--Julia Conklin, Inspector. A good corps, members earnest and faithful, and are doing excellent work.

No. 94, Kokomo.--Melissa Caylor, Inspector. This is an excellent corps, books beautifully and correctly kept.

No. 95, Hortonville.--Julia Conklin, Inspector. This corps is composed of earnest women doing all the good they can.

No. 96, New Castle.--Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. An excellent corps in every particular.

No. 97, Delphi.--Clara E. Bush, Inspector. A good corps, with prospects of a bright future.

No. 98, Rossville.--Clara E. Bush, Inspector. A small corps composed of energetic members, who deserve great encouragement.

No. 100, Dublin.--Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. An excellent corps in every particular.

No. 101, Somerset.--Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. This corps though small, have had their ambition aroused to grow in the work.

No. 102, Rockport.--Emily J. Butterfield, Inspector. This corps is a fine one, and can be ranked among the first in the Department.

No. 103, Huntingburg.--Emily J. Butterfield, Inspector. A new corps, assisting the Post with which they are in perfect harmony, and are ready to extend relief whenever needed.

No. 104, Lapel.--Melissa Caylor, Inspector. This corps though small is doing excellent work. Have done a greater amount of relief work than some larger corps.

No. 105, Colfax.--Mary D. Travis, Inspector. If all the members were willing to adhere closely to Rules and Regulations and observe the smaller details, this corps would find themselves in better condition.

No. 106, Spencer.--Agnes Hitt, Inspector. This corps is in good condition, with fair prospects.

No. 107, Mt. Vernon.--Emily J. Butterfield, Inspector. This corps was found in the "Slough of Despond." They are greatly in need of a revival.

No. 108, Sharpsville.--Clara E. Bush, Inspector, reports this corps of energetic ladies, working harmoniously doing good work.

No. 109, Carthage.--Agnes Hitt, Inspector. This corps is composed of a small number of ladies, who are trying to hold the corps together, in the midst of great discouragements.

No. 110, Brookville.--No inspection.

No. 111, Hamilton.--Ida S. McBride, Inspector. A good corps, in prosperous condition.

No. 112, Danville.--Agnes Hitt, Inspector, reports this corps in excellent condition with good prospects.

No. 113, Greensburg.--Julia Conklin, Inspector. An excellent of earnest workers.

No. 114, Windfall.--Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. This corps have been disinclined to obey Rules and Regulations but hope to hear of improvement in the future.

No. 115, Seelyville.--Agnes Hitt, Inspector. This corps is in good condition. Their Relief work is excellent.

No. 116, Trenton.--Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. A good corps deserving much credit.

No. 117, Elwood.--This corps was not inspected on account of their moving into a new hall at time appointed for inspection, but they report themselves in flourishing condition.

No. 118, Delaney.--Not inspected owing to a failure in getting members together. Prospects poor.



No. 119, Muncie.—Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. Another excellent corps of which the Department of Indiana may well be proud.

No. 120, Fowler.—Mary D. Travis, Inspector. This corps understands the work and generally performs it right, but they have been laboring under many difficulties on account of sickness of their President.

No. 121, Lynn.—Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. A young corps, and an excellent one, ambitious to excel. A bright future is predicted for them.

No. 122, Evansville.—Emily J. Butterfield, Inspector. This corps needs constant inspection. Do not live up to the laws of the order.

No. 123, Staunton.—Agnes Hitt, Inspector. This corps is struggling under many difficulties. The coming year gives promise of better work.

No. 124, Hartford City.—Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. A very good corps.

No. 125, Lebanon.—Melissa Caylor, Inspector. A good corps doing good work.

No. 126, Goodland.—Clara E. Bush, Inspector. Excellent corps of enthusiastic ladies.

No. 127, Clark's Hill.—Mary D. Travis, Inspector. This corps is in good condition.

No. 128, Fairmount.—Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. This corps after laboring under peculiar disadvantages during the past year, now assumes brighter prospects.

No. 129, Stockwell.—Mary D. Travis, Inspector. This corps is in a fairly prosperous condition, members seem interested in the work.

No. 130, Westville.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. This corps is composed of a small band of earnest women, greatly interested in the order, very grateful for instruction imparted to them, and anxious to thoroughly understand the work.

No. 131, Middleton.—Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector, reports this corps in excellent condition.

No. 132, Walton.—Melissa Caylor, Inspector. A new corps and needs encouragement. They do their work well and their books are neat and correctly kept.

No. 133, Spiceland.—Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. There were not enough members out to exemplify the Ritual, owing to some misunderstanding.

No. 134, Hagerstown.—Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. A new corps capable of good work.

No. 135, Dalton.

No. 136, Hammond.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. This is a new corps, members seem interested in the work generally, but they are very deficient in knowledge of the laws of the order, and of the duties they should assume.

No. 137, Farmland.—Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. A good and flourishing corp with bright prospects.

No. 138, Montpelier.—Harriet A. Buchanan, Inspector. One of our best corps. Excellent in every particular.

No. 139, St. Joe.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. This is a new corps, not very strong but the members are earnest women and their prospects good.

No. 140, Piercetown.—Ida S. McBride, Inspector. This corps has a large membership, but have not fully understood the work. When they become more familiar with it, I think they will be productive of much good.

No. 141, Oakland City.—Emily J. Butterfield, Inspector. A new corps, and will be an efficient one with a little more experience.

No. 142, Hebron.—Was not inspected owing to the burning of their hall with supplies.

Respectfully Submitted in F. C. and L.,

IDA S. MCBRIDE,

*Department Inspector.*

ELKHART, IND., MARCH 31, 1891.

## REPORT OF DEPARTMENT I. AND I. OFFICER.

HEADQUARTERS OF DEPT. I. AND I. OFFICER, }  
 INDIANAPOLIS, IND., APRIL 8th, 1891. }

MARY A. BOYD,

*Department Secretary W. R. C.*

MADAM:

I have the honor to present the following report for the year ending March 31, 1891:

## CORPS INSTITUTED.

Hagan, No. 50, Buffaloville, was instituted April 5, by Maggie R. Armstrong, with 12 charter members.

Monroe Layman, No. 99, Warren, was instituted April 16, by Anna Gunder, with 21 charter members.

W. S. Hancock; No. 61, Veedersburg, was instituted April 16, by Mary D. Travis, with 13 charter members.

King David, No. 53, Mount Vernon, was instituted April 29, by Josephine E. Nelson, with 20 charter members.

Shively, No. 103, Huntingburg, was instituted May 7, by Jennie Myerhoff, with 14 charter members.

Frank Jones, No. 116 Trenton, was instituted May 10, by Maggie E. Beeson, with 13 charter members.

Stephen Mead No. 21, Fort Branch, was instituted May 13, by M. L. Wright, with 10 charter members.

Martin Delaney No. 118, Indianapolis, was instituted May 28, by Carrie Hoskins, with 14 charter members.

A. R. Cochran, No. 141, Oakland City, was instituted July 8, by Martha B. Craig, with 18 charter members.

Walters, No. 142, Hebron, was instituted July 19, by Alma F. Dnnlap, with 11 charter members.

Magnolia, No. 143, Jonesboro, was instituted September 9, by Harriet A. Buchanan, with 11 charter members.

Chickamauga, No. 144, Kirklin, was instituted October 20, by Julia Conklin, with 10 charter members.

V. H. Lyons No. 145, Plainfield, was instituted October 21, by Melissa Caylor, with 21 charter members.

Morgan, No. 146, Petersburg, was instituted November 13, by Emily J. Butterfield, with 31 charter members.

Spicely, No. 147, Orleans, was instituted November 21, by Julia Conklin, with 20 charter members.

Andrews, No. 148, Andrews, was instituted December 20, by Laura Hess, with 29 charter members.

Worden, No. 149, Albion, was instituted January 7, by Mary C. Gordon, with 10 charter members.

Samuel Stewart, No. 150, Flora, was instituted January 22, by Nancy J. McCormick, with 19 charter members.

Cambridge City, No. 51, Cambridge City, was instituted March 5th, by Mary R. Athey, with 13 charter members.

Charles Swindell, No. 152, Larwill, was instituted March 12, by Siddie Beem, with 20 charter members.

Coal City, No. 153, Coal City, was instituted March 4, by Mahala Beem, with 20 charter members.

Charles A. Kirkhoff, No. 154, New Palestine, was instituted March 11, by Agnes Hitt, with 15 charter members.

Frank Neff, No. 155, Sullivan, was instituted March 18, by Mary J. Miller, with 46 charter members.

Robert Calloway, No. 156, Milton, was instituted March 23 by Francis S. John, with 25 charter members.

Milton Carter, No. 157, Monrovia, was instituted March 23, by Julia Conklin, with 25 charter members.

Since March 11, 1890, 24 corps have been instituted, making in all 157 corps, of which Indiana can be proud. The work of the Department is progressing in a steady and satisfactory manner. We can not expect to institute as many corps now, and in future years, as we have in the past, for so many of our Grand Army Posts are situated in localities that make it impossible for the ladies to attend the meetings on account of distance.

I have made a careful study of the work this year, and will make my report for the best interests of the Order. I find upon examining election reports, that there are a great many who do not read Rules and Regulations, and General Orders from Department Headquarters.

Fifty-eight election reports were received. Thirty-eight were sent direct to me; the remainder were forwarded to me by the Department President, and I am sorry to state that not one-third of them were filled out correctly. As our credentials for convention are made from these reports, when in-

correct it causes a great deal of work and expense to the Department; our Order is now becoming too mature for such neglect, and as has previously been done, I recommend the reading of General orders twice in the Corps. I know it seems tiresome, but I feel it is for the best interest of the Order. I have received Installation reports of ninety Corps since January 1st. There were thirty-eight Corps that had joint installations with Posts, eighteen with Post and Sons of Veterans; thirty-five were private. In a number of cases refreshments were served during the evening. I am exceedingly pleased to see the interest taken in the Sons of Veterans, and think it was a noble idea to have these joint installations. "The Boys" are always pleased to have the ladies take an interest in them and appreciate all courtesies shown them. I hope we will have a great many more such reports next year.

This year's work has been to me a work of pleasure. I have received so many nice letters from my sister workers, and all are ready and willing to lend a helping hand. I think this the grandest and most noble order in existence, and the ties of friendship thus engendered are very near and dear to us.

In closing I thank the Dept. President, Secretary and Treasurer for their patience and kindness to me, and my assistant I. and I. Officers for the prompt and efficient manner in which they have performed their duty. I am also indebted to Mrs. Hitt and Mrs. Haskell for assistance in time of sickness. Thanks are also due Asst. Adj. Gen. I. N. Walker and Assistant Quartermaster General O. R. Weaver for advice when called upon. I again thank the President for the gift of this office. I have at all times tried to perform my work to the best of my ability, and with her ask God to bless our labors.

Respectfully Submitted,

BELLE BRISTOW,

*Department I. and I. Officer.*



## REPORT OF DEPARTMENT COUNSELOR.

CRAWFORDSVILLE, IND., APRIL 6, 1891.

MARY A. BOYD,

*Department Secretary W. R. C.*

As Department Counselor I have been called upon for decisions and opinions in many cases of minor importance, which I do not deem expedient to recite to this convention. In many of these cases, the sisters throughout the Department have written me, not officially, but in the form of inquiries as to what would be best under such and such circumstances, and a few have written me confidentially. I have sincerely appreciated the confidence thus reposed, and have taken delight in giving my best advice, and counsel in answer to all such communications.

How much good has been accomplished in the way of forestalling and possibly averting the threatening troubles by this free and unofficial work, I cannot estimate, but I feel sure that such work has not been in vain. Properly, and in strict conformity to the red tape of our order (if I may be allowed the mild impeachment), the Department Counselor can only give an opinion, or render a decision when called upon to do so by the Department President, in other words, the only way an appeal can properly reach the "snow white throne" of the Department Counselor is through the Department President, and only when the Department President would rather have the Counselor decide than render the decision herself. The Counselor having decided a case thus presented through the Department President, returns it to the Department President, who approves or disapproves or modifies the decision or forwards it to the appellant with such remarks as she deems proper. I am glad that the sisters have felt free to call upon me in all their minor vexations, for words of advice and counsel; and as my salary has remained just the same, I have taken pride in advising. I submit the following decisions rendered, as they are of sufficient importance to warrant their

preservation in our records:

Geo. W. Stough Corps No. 59, (May 31, 1891,) presented the following:

QUESTION 1. Can a president-elect call upon a Corps to select or appoint a Secretary for her, or can a Corps appoint or vote for a Secretary?

ANSWER. Section 1, Article 7, of Rules and Regulations declares: "At the installation of officers, the President *shall* appoint the Secretary." This is mandatory. The President has no power to delegate any person or persons, or the Corps, to make the appointment.

QUESTION 2. Should a member wish a notice or communication of any kind read before the Corps, to whom must she submit her paper?

ANSWER. To the President, who should, if in her judgment, the notice is proper to be presented to the Corps, hand it to the Secretary to be read to the Corps. All communications relating to the legitimate business of the Corps should be presented in this manner.

QUESTION 3. When a motion is made, seconded, voted upon and unanimously carried, to pay the Secretary a stipulated sum for services, does not that motion remain valid until repealed or set aside by the Corps?

ANSWER. Yes.

QUESTION 4. When any member may wish to submit anything to be read before the Corps must she come in person to the meeting? Or may she not hand such notice or communication to the Secretary and trust her to perform such duty?

ANSWER. Certainly she has the right to send such communication to the President, but it need not necessarily come before the Corps. The President can suppress the reading of the communication, if in her judgement it is not proper to come before the Corps.

QUESTION 5. Should a member be wronged in any way, and seek redress for any wrong, how must she proceed in such matters? Dare the President ignore her appeal and suppress her claim?

ANSWER. The Corps President has not the right to ignore her appeal, and should she do so, the member may appeal to the Department President.

Geo. H. Chapman No. 10, (July 1890) submitted the following:

Mrs. H. — had a transfer card which had expired, and she stood in the relation of an honorably discharged member. She filed her application with this Corps. An investigation committee was appointed, who reported favorably; a ballot was taken which was not declared, as it appeared that there were not enough ballots for all the members. More ballots were secured, and a second ballot taken, which resulted in the election of the candidate. Up to this time all the proceedings of the Corps were correct and legal. The President of the Corps had the right to order a second ballot when, upon investigation, she discovered there had not been a fair election, in as much as there were not enough ballots to supply the Corps. It does not, in such a case require the vote of a Corps to reconsider a ballot. *It is the duty of the President to see that a fair ballot and an honest count is had in every case*, and when she is satisfied that an error exists, or a mistake has occurred or anything transpired to prevent a fair and honest election, her imperative duty is to order a new ballot at once. This second ballot was taken and the candidate was declared elected by the President. It was so recorded in the minutes; the minutes were approved. Upon motion, *at a subsequent meeting*, the ballot was reconsidered, or set aside by vote of the Corps. This last proceeding was illegal and cannot be sustained. The candidate having been duly elected was entitled to be initiated.

Warren Banta Corps No. 66, (December 22, 1890) asked the following question:

The election of officers being held at the proper time, the candidates elected for the various offices were declared by the President elected. The meeting closed. At the next regular meeting it was discovered that there were, on the three

successive ballots, one more vote cast than there were members present. The question submitted was: Was the election valid? Answer, Yes. The election of each and every one of the officers declared elected by the president at the meeting when the election was held was valid, provided said election was held in accordance with Sections 1 and 2, Art. 7, Chap. 2, Rules and Regulation, and they were entitled to be installed into their respective offices at the next regular meeting.

I have given careful thought and attention to all matters submitted to me, and if mistakes have been made, they are not mistakes of the heart.

It was the pleasure of the Department President to assign to me the duty of inspecting a number of Corps. This duty I performed the best I could, and I recall with pleasure and gratitude the very courteous manner in which I was received by all the officers and members of the corps I visited, and I am proud to say, these Corps were in good condition, and the sisters all manifested great interest in the work of our noble order.

In conclusion I desire to again thank the Department President for the honor she conferred upon me by reappointing me to the office which I held during the administration of Department President Sister Agnes Hitt. My reappointment by Department President, Melissa Caylor, I regarded as an expression of satisfaction with my official conduct during the year 1888. For the uniform courtesy and kindness of all the Department Officers and sisters on all occasions,, my heart is full of gratitude and sisterly love.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

MARY D. TRAVIS,

*Department Counselor.*



## PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.; MARCH 13, 1890.

The Department Council met at room No. 15, New Denison Hotel. Called to order by the Department President, Melissa Caylor. All members present except Chaplain and Secretary. After listening to words of cheer and greeting from the President, the Council at once proceeded to the transaction of business.

On motion of Mrs. Hoskins, seconded by Dr. Sallie Jackson, the Treasurer's bond was filed. Sum fixed, \$2,000. Bond was signed and accepted.

A motion was made by Mrs. McBride, seconded by Mrs. Taylor, that Mrs. Haushalter be made alternate to National Convention to fill the vacancy caused by Mrs. Bristow resigning. Carried.

As there are still on file several copies of the Department Roster, a fac simile of the one placed in the Corner Stone of the Soldier's and Sailor's Monument, and heretofore sold at twenty-five cents. A motion was made by Mrs. Ross seconded by Mrs. Cox that these Rosters be distributed free to Corps throughout the state, to be kept as a souvenir. Carried.

A motion was then made by Mrs. Hoskins that the Department Inspector call together the Assistant Inspectors, at the approval of the Department President. This motion being seconded by Mrs. Cox was approved.

A motion was also made and carried to leave the arrangement of inspection to the Department Inspector and President.

All business being disposed of the Council adjourned, subject to the pleasure of the President.

MARY D. TRAVIS,

*Secretary pro tem.*

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., APRIL, 7, 1891.

In accordance with General Order No. 11, issued by the

Department President, the Council met at th New Denison at 3 o'clock p. m.

The meeting was called to order by the Department President. The following members were present: Melissa Caylor, President; Harriet Buchanan, S. V. President; Carrie Hoskins, J. V. President; Mary A. Boyd, Secretary; Julia Conklin, Treasurer; Ida S. McBride, Inspector; Mary D. Travis, Counselor; Belle Bristow, I. and I. Officer; Dr. Sallie Jackson, Chairman of Executive Board; Mary R. Athey and Alice Ross. Absent: Mary J. McCarthy, Chaplain, and Kate Cox, Member Executive Board.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Chairman of the Executive Board made a verbal report which was followed by a general review and discussion of the year's work. The President introduced a plan for District exemplification meetings, and explained the manner in which they should be conducted, and advantage they would be to local Corps. The plan was endorsed by the Council.

The subject in regard to the Woman's Relief Corps Tablet being placed on the Soldier's and Sailor's Monument was then presented to the Council, and it was suggested that as the Monument is being erected in honor of the Soldier's and Sailor's of the late war and not of any organization, it would be improper to place the Woman's Relief Corps tablet thereon, and would mar the beauty of the design. After some discussion and a careful consideration of the subject, it was moved by Mrs. Ross and seconded by Mrs. Dr. Jackson that this Council now in session, prepare a resolution and present it to the Convention, to rescind the action of the Sixth Department Convention, and that the money already donated for the tablet be held as a special fund subject to the action of the Convention, that the Secretary draft the resolution. This motion was heartily concurred in.

Mrs. Athey introduced the subject of establishing a Soldier's Home on the cottage plan, where old soldiers and their

wives could live together, and suggested that the money donated for the tablet be appropriated for that purpose. No action taken.

The Chairman of the Auditing Committee submitted the following report, which was accepted:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., APRIL 7, 1891.

*Mrs. President and Members of the Council:*

We, as members of your Auditing Committee, report having carefully examined the books of the Secretary and Treasurer, find them entirely correct and in excellent order.

Submitted in F. C and L.,

MARY R. ATHEY.

HULDA TAYLOR.

THESTA ALICE ROSS.

Moved by Mrs. Athey and seconded by Mrs. Hoskins, that "The Guard" be adopted as the official organ of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Indiana, which was adopted.

Moved by Mrs. Bristow and seconded by Mrs. Travis that the Council adjourn, subject to the wishes of the Department President. Carried.

MARY A. BOYD,

*Department Secretary.*

## REPORT OF THE CHRISTMAS AND VISITING COMMITTEE TO THE S. AND S. O. HOME.

*Mrs. Dept. President and ladies of the W. R. C. Dept. of Ind:*

Your Committee for the S. and S. O. Home respectfully submit the following report:

Our first visit to the Soldier's and Sailor's Orphans' Home was made on the 30th of May—Decoration Day—where we spent a pleasant and we trust profitable day to ourselves and the inmates of the Home.

In looking through the building we discovered the crowded condition of the Home, and rooms laying idle for lack of a few hundred dollars to finish them.

After consulting the G. A. R. Visiting Committee, Governor Hovey and the Department President, and meeting a hearty approval and God speed from each, we issued circular letters requesting the several Corps of Indiana to take a monied interest in the Home, by contributing a small amount of money to finish what is now known as "W. R. C. Hall."

To say we met a most generous response and and received letters of gratitude for giving the Corps an opportunity of showing their interest in the wards left us by the late war, mildly expresses the sentiments of 92 Corps of our Department.

Instead of confining the amount to \$300.00, the amount asked for, we received \$475.50 and turned over to Harry Watts, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the S. and S. O. Home, who with the amount furnished 23 rooms, and the Superintendent has been enabled to accept 50 children that could not have found a home there for one year or until the money lately appropriated by the General Assembly could have been obtained.

Ladies, who can estimate the result—fifty children, soldiers' orphans, gathered in from the byways and hedges, some that only for your generous hearts, would have been lost 'ere this, to all the better qualities of their natures, without home



and friends, or a ray of sunshine to illuminate their dark paths.

We again visited the Home on the 24th, of June at commencement in company with our Department President, Commander, G. A. R. Visiting Committee and Colonel Newton, of the Sons of Vétérans. At this time was held the first joint meeting of the committees ever held.

We are sorry to say that at this visit we did not find things at the Home in as good a condition as we should have liked to owing to some unpleasantness existing among the employees.

A visit a few weeks later showed a marked improvement, and each visit has demonstrated the effectual work and ability of the present management.

We again visited the "Home" in September, by request of G. A. R. Committee to investigate some charges that had been published against the Superintendent and his management. After taking the testimony of the physician and a good many of the employees, it was fully demonstrated that there was no foundation to the story and that it was the outcome of spitework.

On the 28th of October, we again visited the Home to plan for Christmas; and on the 2nd of December, we met in Indianapolis and purchased Christmas goods. Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Kenyon taking home and dressing 144 dolls that were pronounced beautiful. On the 24th of December, we repaired to the Home and were nobly assisted by the Home folks in carrying out the Christmas plan. We felt our work was not in vain when we saw the happiness of the 572 children on Christmas morning. On the 2nd. of January we were again called together to meet at Colonel Black's office in consultation with the Trustees and Superintendent of the Home, the G. A. R. and Department President and W. R. C. Committee; to consider a bill for Home improvements to be placed in the hands of the General Assembly. After duly discussing the needs of the Home, a bill was decided upon, and we were instructed to send circulars to each Corps in the Department, asking them to interview their representatives of their several

districts in behalf of the Home appropriation, which we did.

February 4th. was set apart by the committee on Benevolent Institutions, from the Legislature, from both houses to meet those interested in the bill. There were present at the meeting Department President, Mrs. Caylor, Mrs. Bristow Mrs. Hitt, G. A. R. and W. R. C. Committees, Trustees and Superintendent of the Home, where every inducement was brought to bear upon the Legislature Committee. We are satisfied the circular letters did good, for we are assured letters from all over the state were written to the different representatives with good effect.

On the 24th. of March we again visited the Home to make our final visit before convention. We were accompanied by our Department President, G. A. R. and W. R. C. Visiting Committee. We spent the day very pleasantly, although busy, as we investigated nearly every department in the Home, and discussed the plans for the improvement, making some requests for changes which were kindly accepted and will be acted upon.

I can not close without thanking my committee, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Kenyon. I can say we have labored all the year with perfect harmony and good will, and what of success we have had is due to their perfect confidence and co-operation.

To the Superintendent and Trustees and all connected with the Home, we extend our thanks for the courtesy and kind reception we have always met at their hands and ask that our successors meet the same.

Report of funds raised from Indiana Woman's Relief Corps for finishing W. R. C. Hall at Knightstown Soldier's and Sailor's Orphan's Home, 1890:—

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## CORPS NO.

20, Geo. H. Thomas, Indianapolis.....	\$10 00
62, J. B. Mason, Knightstown.....	5 00
25, Connersville, Connersville.....	10 00
88, Davis, Vincennes.....	2 00
120, Benton, Fowler.....	5 00
66, Warren Banta, Liberty Mills.....	1 00
2, DeLong, Auburn.....	3 00
15, Elmer, Elkhart.....	3 00
138, Johnson, Montpelier.....	5 00
32, Howell, Goshen.....	5 00
94, Harrison, Kokomo.....	10 00
139, J. C. Carnes, St. Joseph Station.....	2 50
137, Moses Herron, Farmland.....	1 00
24, Brown, Valpariso.....	2 00
20, Geo. H. Thomas, Indianapolis.....	20 20
119, Williams, Muncie.....	3 00
46, Nelson Trusler, Winchester.....	10 00
123, Stanton, Stanton.....	3 50
140, John Murry, Princeton.....	1 00
12, John Craig, Jeffersonville.....	5 00
93, John C. Platter, Aurora.....	5 00
18, Farragut, Evansville.....	10 00
72, Lookout, Noblesville.....	10 00
115, Leslie, Seeleysville.....	2 00
104, Fisher, Fishersburg.....	10 00
89, Ben North, Rising Sun.....	2 00
10, Geo. H. Chapman, Indianapolis.....	10 00
33, E. T. Wood, Rideville.....	5 00
42, Slack, Huntington.....	4 00
86, D. K. Stopher, Harlan.....	10 00
83, John Wheeler, Crown Point.....	10 00
44, Maj. Robert Anderson.....	15 00
112, J. S. Ogden, Danville.....	2 50
92, Slocum, Bloomington.....	3 25
136, Lot Bloomfield, Hammond.....	5 00
43, James Gordon, Indianapolis.....	5 00
63, Gen. Shunk, Marion.....	5 00
113, Pap Thomas, Greensburg.....	5 00
60, Duvall, Liberty.....	3 00
40, N. R. Ruckle, Indianapolis.....	1 00
7, Sion S. Bass, Ft. Wayne.....	10 00
74, McPherson, Crawfordsville.....	10 00
6, Buchanan, Madison.....	5 00
96, Leonard, Few Castle.....	5 00
77, Bailey, Portland.....	3 50
37, Crosswait, Angola.....	3 00
58, Kilpatrick, Fremont.....	1 00
125, Rich Mountain, Lebanon.....	5 00
64, Dunbar, Greenfield.....	5 00
131, Rader, Middletown.....	5 00
70, Maj. May, Anderson.....	5 00
59, Stough, Columbia City.....	2 00
23, Greencastle, Greencastle.....	10 00

129, Carroll, Stockwell.....	\$ 1 00
28, McPheeters, Fredericksburg.....	2 00
36, Hardzog, Bremen.....	2 00
84, Stone River, Frankfort.....	3 00
100, W. A. Boyd, Dublin.....	3 00
16, Patton, LaPorte.....	5 00
67, Girard, Monon.....	5 00
34, W. B. Reyburn, Peru.....	5 00
11, Morton, Terre Haute.....	5 00
73, Boone, Zionsville.....	1 00
41, Sam Henry, Decatur.....	5 00
68, Joel Wolf, Rushville.....	5 00
9, Sanderson, New Albany.....	3 00
101, Robinson, Somerset.....	2 00
87, Lew Daily, Bluffton.....	3 00
17, Ed. Temple, South Milford.....	3 00
81, Fahler, Star City.....	2 00
56, Harryman, Mooresville.....	2 50
8, Emmet, Wabash.....	5 00
14, Aulen, South Bend.....	5 00
128, Beeson, Fairmount.....	3 00
57, Coulter, Russiaville.....	2 00
27, Waterloo, Waterloo.....	3 00
78, Price, Tipton.....	5 00
39, Rensselear, Rensselear.....	3 00
90, Winchester, Gosport.....	5 00
13, Sedgewick, Union City.....	5 00
38, Penny, Jeffersonville.....	3 00
117, Elwood, Elwood.....	2 00
133, Harmon, Spiceland.....	3 00
56, Harryman, Mooresville.....	1 55
52, Chase, Garret.....	5 75
Gen. Canby, Brazil.....	5 00
James Smith (individual) Indianapolis.....	1 00
3, Home Circle Sheridan Post, Indianapolis.....	5 00
45, Sol. Meredith, Richmond.....	18 00
71, Fairfax, Westfield.....	5 00
75, Perryville, Broad Ripple.....	5 00
534, Bowman, Hagerstown.....	10 50
76, Maj. Patton, Vevay.....	5 00
105, Stillwell, Colfax.....	2 50
48, Deacon, New Carlisle.....	5 00
30, Logansport, Logansport.....	10 00
109, Elwood Hill, Carthage.....	5 00
31, Archer, Princeton.....	5 00
Total receipts.....	\$493 25

*Disbursements.*

Sent Harry Watts, Treasurer.....	\$100 00
Sent Harry Watts, Treasurer.....	50 00
Sent Harry Watts, Treasurer.....	50 00
Sent Harry Watts, Treasurer.....	50 00
Received credit by Harry Watts, Treasurer from Corps No. 70, sent there	\$ 5 00
Sent Harry Watts, Treasurer.....	45 00



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Sent Harry Watts, Treasurer .....	\$ 30 00
Sent Harry Watts, Treasurer .....	20 00
Sent Harry Watts, Treasurer .....	50 00
Sent Harry Watts, Treasurer .....	30 00
Sent Harry Watts, Treasurer .....	20 00
Sent Harry Watts, Treasurer .....	20 00
Sent Harry Watts, Treasurer .....	5 50

\$475 50

Balance.....

\$ 17 75

## Expenses as follows:

Railroad fare to see M. Caylor, President.....	\$ 1 15
Telephone to M. Caylor, President.....	50
Telephone to Knightstown.....	25
Postage.....	4 00
Envelopes and paper.....	1 45
Record book.....	40
Postal cards.....	25
Stationery.....	4 25
Postage.....	2 00
Postals and type-writing.....	2 50
Postage.....	1 00

\$ 17 75

Balance on hand.....

\$ 00 00

## Report of Christmas Fund for Christmas of 1890:

71, Fairfax, Westfield.....	\$ 1 00
77, Stephen J. Bailey, Portland.....	2 00
104, H. G. Fisher, Lapel.....	2 00
9, Sanderson, New Albany.....	2 00
94, T. J. Harrison, Kokomo.....	5 00
84, Stone River, Frankfort.....	2 00
13, Sedgewick, Union City.....	3 00
89, Ben. North, Rising Sun.....	2 00
92, P. E. Slocum, Bloomington.....	4 00
3, Gen Canby, Brazil.....	2 00
15, Elmer, Elkhart.....	3 00
28, McPheeters, Fredricksburg.....	1 00
68, Joel Wolfe, Rushville.....	5 00
32, Howell, Goshen.....	3 00
45, Sol. Meredith, Richmond.....	5 00
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18, Farragut, Evansville.....	10 00
20, Geo. H. Thomas, Indianapolis.....	5 00
72, Lookout, Noblesville.....	5 00
88, Jeff. C. Davis, Vincennes.....	1 50

93, John A. Platter.....	\$ 5 00
113, Pap Thomas, Greensburg.....	3 00
30, Logansport, Logansport.....	4 00
39, Rensselaer, Rensselaer.....	4 00
121, Joe Cook, Lynn.....	5 00
44, Maj. Robert Anderson, Indianapolis.....	5 00
10, Geo. H. Chapman, Indianapolis.....	5 00
109, Elwood Hill, Carthage.....	2 00
99, Monroe Layman, Warren.....	1 00
138, Johnson, Montpelier.....	1 00
75, Perryville, Broad Ripple.....	1 00
31, Archer, Princeton.....	3 00
103, Shiveley, Huntingburg.....	2 00
96, Geo. W. Leonard, New Castle.....	2 50
54, Wm. Smith, Sheridan.....	2 00
55, Warrick, Newburg.....	1 00
40, N. R. Ruckle, Indianapolis.....	1 00
57, H. C. Coulter, Russiaville.....	2 00
133, Herman Rayl, Spiceland.....	1 00
56, S. K. Harryman, Mooresville.....	2 00
117, Elwood, Elwood.....	1 00
45, Sol. Meredith, Richmond.....	5 00
43, Joseph R. Gordon, Indianapolis.....	2 00
69, Isham Keith, Columbus.....	5 00
6, A. O. Bachman, Madison.....	2 00
73, Boone, Zionsville.....	1 00
60, Duval, Liberty.....	2 00
81, Fahler, Star City.....	2 00
31, Mrs. Archer, individually.....	3 00
82, Miles H. Thibbets, Plymouth.....	3 00
5, Shiloh Field, Elkhart.....	1 00
108, Put Evans Sharpsville.....	1 00
83, John Wheeler, Crown Point.....	5 00
19, John A. Logan, North Manchester.....	3 00
78, Jas. Price, Tipton.....	5 00
12, John Craig, Jeffersonville.....	3 00
25, Connersville, Connersville.....	5 00
27, Waterloo, Waterloo.....	2 00
33, E. T. Wood, Ridgeville.....	2 00
2, DeLong, Adburn.....	3 00
36, Hardzog, Bremen.....	1 00
76, Maj. May, Anderson.....	4 00
34, W. B. Reyburn, Peru.....	2 00
119, Williams, Muncie.....	10 00
Total received from W. R. C. ....	\$208 50
Received from Department Q. M., G. A. R. ....	154 51
Received from Nettie Ransford from 1889.....	33 90
Total.....	\$396 81

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## Disbursements as follows:

Chas. Meyers & Co. bill.....	\$ 41 38	
Pettis Dry Goods Co. ....	30 74	
Pettis Dry Goods Co. ....	1 17	
Pettis Dry Goods Co. ....	90	
Kipp Bros. ....	199 60	
H. P. Wasson & Co. ....	11 19	
H. P. Wasson & Co. ....	5 00	
H. P. Wasson & Co. ....	14 66	
Youth's Companion.....	14 00	
Ladies Home Journal.....	6 00	
House Keeper Journal.....	6 00	
Youth's Companion.....	9 40	
Adelaide Johnson ex	}	30 60
R. C. Kenyon ex		
E. D. Zinn		
Total Disbursements.....		\$370 78
Balance on hand.....		26 13

## Department expense of Committee:

Adelaide Johnson .....	\$14 35	
R. C. Kenyon .....	15 85	
Ella D. Zinn .....	6 60	
Total.....		\$ 36 80

Respectfully Submitted in F. C. and L.,

ELLA D. ZINN, Indianapolis,	}	Committee.
ADELAID JOHNSON, Kokomo,		
RACHEL G. KENYON, Westfield,		

REPORT OF EIGHTH NATIONAL CONVENTION,  
1890.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., APRIL 7th. 1891.

MARY A. BOYD,

*Department Secretary.*

*Madam:*

In accordance with my duty as Representative-at-large of the Department of Indiana W. R. C. to the Eighth National Convention, held at Boston, August 13th and 14th 1890, I respectfully submit a synopsis of its proceedings:

Fully realizing that in proportion to the growth of the Woman's Relief Corps in this state; does the necessity arise for more prolonged annual sessions; therefore I feel assured that I voice the sentiment of this Department body, in touching but briefly only those points which seem most important, referring the few who may have an insatiable desire for more, to the full published proceedings.

The National President's address following the tedious preliminary work of the opening morning was replete with interest. She truly says, "As a society we have scarcely touched with our finger tips the rim of the womanhood of this country. There are thousands of loyal women who look carelessly on, not realizing, that there has come to them the one grand chance in all the ages for them to minister to the heroes, who saved their country from utter destruction."

The organization of the Departments of Texas, North Dakota and the Potomac with preparatory work in other directions are results of the year; but perhaps the most satisfactory was the organization of the National Woman's Relief Corps Home, a matter of congratulation to every member of the order. This Home was formerly a seminary, and is a gift from the whole-souled citizens of Geneva, and Madison, Ohio. It has been fitted and furnished at a cost of four thousand dollars and is now in good working order free of debt. The National President has shown great executive ability in her



management of this important work. We are also indebted to the National President for the introduction of the "Red Book" containing Rules and Regulations, and decisions of the order comments, explanations and a complete summary of Parliamentary Rules. Specimen copies issued to delegates, show that this book will be very helpful and it should be in the hands of every Corps President.

The National Secretary's report for the year ending June 30th, showed an increase of 85 Corps, making a total 2,022 Corps with an increase of membership of 4,724 the total membership to the above date being 77,799. Expended for Relief during the year \$62,226 and turned over to Posts \$26,065.54; total 88,291.66. Since the organization of the W. R. C. June 1883 to June 1890 there has been expended for Relief \$249,099.03 and turned over to Posts, \$126,188.57; total \$375,287.60. In this noble work, Indiana stands tenth on the list, having expended since its organization 1884 to 1890, in Relief \$10,856.54 and turned over to Posts \$4,289.80 making a total \$15,146.34, Ohio leading with an expenditure \$53,928.74.

Of the amount per capita paid to National Headquarters, \$5,588.85 as per National Treasurer's report, one half, \$2,794.42, was transferred to Pension and Relief Fund. Cash balance in National Treasury \$13,331.86. The total assets of all kinds \$16,625.31. Liabilities none.

#### DECISIONS.

1. By an act of Eighth National Convention \$2,000 was transferred from the National General Fund as a basis of a fund to be known as the National W. R. C. Home Fund; and that formerly known as the Pension and Relief Fund, together with one-half per capita tax previously voted to the same was transferred to the Home Fund, the amounts thus accruing to be used for the maintenance of the Home, and for Army Nurses needing help outside this institution. That National Treasurer hold all the funds of the Home and fill all requisitions for moneys drawn on her by National Secretary and ap-

proved by National President.

2. The National President, by consent of her counsel, may provide from General Fund in National Treasury, for especial cases presented to her for Relief, which comes under the provisions of the Womans Relief Corps.

Departments were urged to appoint Department Relief Committees to assist the National Committees in their work, and contribute to those in their own jurisdiction.

3. That in a Corps of thirty members or less, five shall constitute a quorum.

4. That women who have contributed to Charter and supplies, and are unable to be present at the institution of a Corps, but are initiated within a month thereafter, shall be allowed to become Charter Members.

5. That the sign of recognition be abolished.

6. That the basis of representation to the National Convention be one delegate to every 700 members, and one for a fraction over the half.

7. That the revised ritual be adopted as amended, to be used one year, the Ninth National Convention to decide its merits.

8. That a memorial flag be adopted, to be used by the W. R. C. for the graves of deceased members of the Order. Said flag to be in the form of the maltese cross of the W. R. C. and to be red on a white ground, the words "In Memorium" in the center of the cross. The flag to be placed on the graves at any time previous to Memorial Day. The flags to be furnished at actual cost by National and Department Treasurer.

9. That the salary of the National Treasurer be increased to \$600.00, same as National Secretary.

10. That the gold recognition pin be considered the same officially as the bronze pin, and so defined in the next issue of Rules and Regulations.

11. Perhaps the most tedious legislation of the whole session, was that upon the resolutions regarding the admission of women belonging to other organizations, opposed to the ad-

mission of loyal women. The decision as rendered, that in future members of such organization are not eligible to the Womans Relief Corps, seems un-American. It is to be hoped since the Convention has thought it necessary to adopt such strong measures that the difficulties in those Departments which induced resolutions of this character, may be healed without any further legislation.

#### COURTESIES AND VISITORS TO CONVENTION.

Representatives from the G. A. R. Encampment and Union Prisoners of War Association, bearing the greetings of their different Orders were cordially received, and many bright remarks indulged in flattering to the W. R. C. and which were pleasingly responded to by National President who was always equal to the occasion; but realizing the value of time, they soon left with new decorations added to their already overloaded chests.

Mrs. Livermore and Mrs. Logan, both of well known reputation, accompanied by Mrs. Alger, wife of the Commander-in-Chief G. A. R. were each introduced, the two former ladies making suitable remarks, interesting and instructive.

No more welcome announcement could have been made than the presence of Clara Barton of Red Cross fame and National reputation. A woman known on both hemispheres for her self-sacrifice. Her remarks were as modest as her appearance. She had been holding a reception to the multitude of cripples, whose wounds she had helped to heal in the sixties.

#### ENTERTAINMENTS.

The entertainments of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. was unparalleled in generosity, fifteen hundred persons each day being furnished with a bountiful and substantial lunch.

Headquarters were offered free, and accepted by all but four Departments, who preferred to furnish themselves at hotel. Each Department Headquarters was lavishly supplied with fresh flowers daily.

The delegates W. R. C. were furnished tickets to the grand stand, to witness, the parade, where it was estimated forty thousand old soldiers passed in review.

Of the many handsome displays, that of the Public Gardens was the most beautiful, where all the badges G. A. R., W. R. C., S. V. and Loyal Legion, together with the different Army Corps badges were represented in growing plants, perfect in shape and coloring, the whole producing a charming view restful to the eye.

#### OUTINGS.

The Convention closed its final session Friday morning 2 o'clock with many of the faithful but weary ones, still at the post of duty. Notwithstanding this 9 o'clock found delegates G. A. R. and W. R. C. ready for the promised excursion to Plymouth, in response to the invitation extended by the entertainment committee. Arriving at the home of our Pilgrim fathers and mothers, Collingswood Corps had carriages in waiting to conduct W. R. C. delegates to all points of interest—A clam-bake to western guests was a novelty, and with steaming sweet-potatoes, and green corn accompaniment was a delightful repast. The appetising luncheon of Collingswood Corps will long be remembered.

Saturday the entertainment committee extended an invitation to Nahant, the noted summer resort, and many availed themselves of the privilege, enjoying a sea-dinner. Every kind of a diet the sea can produce was there in abundance, Gen. Sander Corps, of Lynn, furnishing the banquet. The appetites of the guests whetted by the sea breeze fully showed their appreciation of this bountiful and elegant dinner.

On Monday a trip to the curious old town of Salem finished the week's outings. Of all the interests of this quaint old place, none were more enjoyed than the house where the witches lived, and Gallows Hill where they were hung. Reminiscences of the lively stories which helped to make good citizens of our great-grand-parents were revived. But all the cheerful things have an end and Sheridan Post and



Corps of Salem gave the final, an evening reception and banquet.

I might largely descant upon the welcome of Massachusetts to her guests, and the entertainments accorded by the city of Boston, but the hospitality of the old Bay State to the Eighth National Convention must remain a pleasing memory.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

SALLIE C. H. HASKELL,

*Representative-at-large.*

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT AID.

MRS. MELISSA CAYLOR,

*Department President W. R. C. of Indiana.*

*My dear Madam:*

I have the honor to make the following report of my official action as Department Aid:

I have written twenty-eight letters in the interest of the W. R. C. and have visited Henryville and Georgetown and I think a Corps can be organized at Georgetown by working for it. I was called to Henryville by the Commander of the Post at that place, and had a talk with a number of ladies, but although they seemed enthusiastic, no Corps has been organized as yet. I would respectfully recommend that this Department take some method of having a worker in southern Indiana. There are several good towns within fifty miles of New Albany that have no Corps, and I think that by vigorous work, several could be organized during the coming year.

Very Respectfully,

MRS. M. M. PENNINGTON,

*Department Aid W. R. C.*

## RESOLUTIONS

SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE EIGHTH ANNUAL  
CONVENTION.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., APRIL 9, 1891.

MRS. MELISSA CAYLOR,

*Department President.*

Your Committee respectfully submit the following resolutions:

*Resolution No. 1.* That a Committee be appointed, one from each corner of the State, and one from the center, to divide the Department into districts, for the purpose of holding District Conventions at such times as may be deemed expedient for the perfecting of the work of the order.

We recommend its adoption.

*Resolution No. 2.* That the Woman's Relief Corps Department of Indiana in convention assembled, deprecate the practice of making the Woman's Relief Corps an advertising medium for manufacturers or dealers.

We recommend its adoption.

*Resolution No. 3.* WHEREAS, The Soldier's and Sailor's Monument now being erected is in honor of the Soldier's and Sailor's of Indiana, and

WHEREAS, The emblems of any Order placed thereon would mar the beauty of the monument and destroy the purity of the original design, which was to show honor to the Veterans of the late war, and not to any organization, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Eighth Department Convention in executive session do hereby rescind the actions of the Sixth Department Convention in regard to placing the W. R. C. Tablet on the Soldier's and Sailor's Monument, and

That all moneys donated for that purpose be held as a Special Fund, subject to the decision of the Department Convention.

We recommend its adoption.

*Resolution No. 4.* That in the service of initiation, the Senior-Vice, Junior-Vice Presidents and Chaplain meet at the Altar with the President, Senior-Vice on the right, Junior-Vice and Chaplain on the left.

We consider the resolution as not properly coming within the jurisdiction of the Department.

*Resolution No. 5.* That, whereas in the Institution for the Feeble-minded, at Fort Wayne, there are Soldiers orphans, who are as certainly the wards of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. as are the pupils of the Soldier's and Sailor's Orphan's Home, but who have received no recognition by the Christmas Committee of the Woman's Relief Corps; be it

RESOLVED, That the Committee be instructed to appoint some one living near the Institute for the Feeble-minded at Fort Wayne, to distribute a suitable portion of the Christmas gifts prepared for these wards of the G. A. R. and W. R. C.

We recommend its adoption.

*Resolution No. 6.* That "The Guard" receive the endorsement of this Convention, as the medium of communication between the Corps, and that every Corps as far as possible have a copy for the use of the Corps.

We recommend its adoption.

*Resolution No. 7.* WHEREAS, Many Corps in this Department are burdened with their own work; therefore be it

*Resolved,* That hereafter all calls for donations shall be made through the proper channel and then only when all plans for raising such funds shall be approved by the Department President and her Council.

We recommend its adoption.

*Resolution, No. 8.* Resolved that the Department of Indiana endorsed the resolution passed by the Eighth National Convention, for the erection of a Memorial College at Oberlin, Kansas where the children of Union Soldiers may receive a free education.

We recommend its adoption.

*Resolution No. 9.* Resolved that the incoming Executive

Board be instructed to purchase a suitable flag for Department Headquarters.

We recommend its adoption.

*Resolution No. 10.* Resolved that the Eighth Convention Department of Indiana, tender their thanks to the ladies of Indianapolis for their kindness in decorating this Hall so tastefully with the National colors and the beautiful palms and flowers used in making our place of meeting attractive.

We recommend its adoption.

*Resolution No. 11.* Resolved that we, the members of the W. R. C. of Indiana in Convention assembled tender our sincere thanks to the President and other Department Officers for their devotion to the interests of this Department and for the efficient manner in which they have performed the arduous duties devolving upon them.

We recommend its adoption.

EMILY J. BUTTERFIELD,  
E. FRANCENA GRAY,  
LAURA HESS.



## PROCEEDINGS OF CONVENTION.

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Following the President's address the Senior and Junior Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Inspector, I. and I. Officer and Counselor made their annual reports, which were referred to the proper committees. The Chaplain being absent her report was read by Department Secretary.

Letters of greeting from Maine, Michigan, Minnesota and Connecticut were read by the Secretary.

SKOWHEGAN, MAINE, MARCH 23rd, 1891.

MRS. MELISSA CAYLOR,

*Department President W. R. C., Noblesville, Ind.*

To the Eighth Annual Convention, Department of Indiana, Woman's Relief Corps assembled, Maine sends greetings. May wisdom be your conductor and peace your guard.

CLARA B. LEAVITT, *Dept. President.*

NELLIE L. LEAVITT, *Dept. Secretary.*

DETROIT MICH., APRIL 4, 1891.

MRS. MELISSA CAYLOR,

*Dept. President W. R. C.*

*Dear Madam:*

Greetings to Department Indiana W. R. C. in Convention assembled. May our Heavenly Father bestow His richest blessings, guide and direct you in all your deliberations. And as the present officers who have labored so faithfully and well, lay down their duties for others to take up, may the good work go forward with unabated zeal.

Sincerely Yours in F. C. and L.,

ARMILLA A. CHENEY, *National Treas.*

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., APR. 3rd, 1891.

MELISSA CAYLOR,

*Dept. Pres. W. R. C., Indianapolis, Ind.*

*Dear Sister:*

Please accept for yourself and sister members in Conven-

tion fraternal greetings, and may all your deliberations be characterised with the spirit of our beloved motto.

Yours very truly in F. C. L.

LYDIA A. GEORGE, *Past Dept. Pres. Minn. W. R. C.*

HARTFORD, CONN., APR. 4th, 1891.

MRS. MELISSA CAYLOR,

*Dept. President W. R. C.*

*Dear Madam:*

The Department of Connecticut sends greeting to the Eighth Annual Convention, Department of Indiana Woman's Relief Corps, now in convention assembled. May all your deliberations be blessed, and result in great good to yourselves and to the Order everywhere.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

By Command of

HARRIET J. BODGE, *Dept. President.*

LAURA A. SANDERS, *Dept. Secretary.*

A motion was made by Mrs. Ransford and seconded by Mrs. Wright that these greetings be received and noted. The motion carried.

The Committee on Credentials made the following report which was concurred in.

INDIANAPOLIS, MARCH 8, 1891.

MRS. MELISSA CAYLOR,

*Dept. Pres. W. R. C.*

Your Committee on Credentials, having examined the Election Returns, in connection with the report of membership of each Corps for the quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1890, respectfully report the following entitled to representation in the Eighth Department Convention.

Department officers.....	9
Members of Executive Board.....	5
Past Dept. Presidents.....	5
Corps Presidents.....	151
Delegates .....	150

Past Corps Presidents.....242

Total.....562

Present and reporting.....267

Respectfully Submitted,

MARY A. BOYD,

BELLE BRISTOW,

NETTIE RANSFORD.

The Minutes of the Council were then read by the Secretary.

On account of the lateness of the hour it was moved by Mrs. Bristow that the Convention adjourn until 9 a. m. Thursday; seconded by Mrs. Travis. The motion carried; and the Convention adjourned.

#### THURSDAY.—MORNING SESSION.

Convention called to order at 9 a. m. by Department President, Mrs. Melissa Caylor.

Dr. Sallie Jackson opened the session by reading a portion of Scripture, and prayer, followed by singing the National Ode.

Roll of Officers was called by the Assistant Secretary.

Minutes of Wednesday were read and approved, after a slight correction.

Moved by Mrs. Gray, of Corps No. 36, and seconded by Mrs. Graham, of Corps No. 7, that the order of business be suspended, and that the minutes of the Council be taken up and acted upon. The motion lost.

Roll of members was then called.

Business was here suspended to receive Mrs. Margaret R. Wickens, Past Department President, of Kansas, who was introduced to the Convention by the Department President.

Roll call resumed.

The Conductor announced that Superintendent Harris and The Indiana Soldier's and Sailor's Orphan's Home Band were waiting to be received.

Moved by Mrs. Ransford and seconded by Mrs. Travis that business be suspended and that they be admitted. The motion carried.

The Chief Conductor presented them to the President and escorted them to the platform.

President: Ladies of the Convention, it gives me pleasure to introduce to you Mr. Harris, Superintendent of the Knightstown Home and "The Boys."

The Band then rendered in a beautiful manner some appropriate selections, closing at request of the Department President, with a "Medley of the National Airs," amid the cheers and tears of the entire audience.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ransford of Corps No. 44, and seconded by Mrs. Myherhoff, that a vote of thanks be extended by this Convention to the Superintendent and the "boys," which was taken by a rising vote.

Mr. Harris:

Mrs. President and Ladies: Allow me to extend to you our heartfelt thanks, (and I know it is so with the boys of this Band), for our very cordial reception. May God bless you in your work.

Mr. Harris was presented with a souvenir badge and they were escorted from the hall.

Moved by Mrs. Ransford and seconded by Mrs. Hitt, that the Department of Indiana Woman's Relief Corps, send greetings to the Department of Illinois Convention now in session, which was adopted and referred to the Chairman of the Committee on Reception and Telegrams.

Roll call resumed.

Motion by Mrs. Myherhoff and seconded by Alice Ross that the Convention proceed to elect officers by informal ballot was lost. A motion to elect by districts, the vote to be collected by districts, carried.

Mrs. Laura Hess, of Wabash, was nominated by Laura Edmon, of Corps No. 34, Peru, seconded by Flora Wulschner.



Mrs. Wheeler, of Corps No. 83, seconded by Nancy McCague of Corps No. 27, nominated Mrs. Ida McBride for President, Mrs. McBride declined the nomination giving her support to Mrs. Hess.

Mary James, of Corps No. 76, nominated Mrs. Jennie L. Case, of Marion. Carrie D. Hageman, of Corps No. 119, seconded the nomination.

India Hackleman was placed in nomination by Dr. Sallie Jackson. Miss Hackleman declined the nomination.

It was moved by Mrs. Jennie Harriman, of Corps No. 13, and seconded by Mrs. Jennie Graham, of Corps No. 7, that the nominations be closed. Carried.

At request of the Convention the two candidates, Mrs. Hess and Mrs. Case were conducted to the platform and introduced by the Department President.

Mrs. Bristow and Mrs. Ransford were appointed tellers.

The Convention then proceeded to cast the ballot for President, which resulted as follows:

Whole number of votes cast.....236

Necessary to a choice.....119

Mrs. Hess received.....201

Mrs. Case received.....35

Mrs. Hess receiving the majority of votes cast was declared duly elected Department President of the W. R. C., of Indiana.

The motion of Mrs. Young, of Danville, seconded by Dr. Sallie Jackson, of Jeffersonville, that a committee be sent to the G. A. R. Encampment to reserve seats for the Camp-fire at Tomlinson Hall, and also to notify that Convention of the election of our Department President Mrs. Hess, of Wabash, carried: The President appointed Mrs. Johns and Dr. Sallie Jackson as the Committee.

On motion the Convention adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

## THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention was called to order at 1:30 and business resumed.

Moved by Mrs. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Taylor that Mrs. McBride be placed in nomination for Senior Vice-President.

Sallie Antle, of Corps No. 51, placed Mrs. Martha Winterrowd in nomination for Senior Vice-President, seconded by Mrs. Snyder.

It was announced that Mrs. Small and Miss Smith, of the Department of Nebraska, were present. They were conducted to the platform and were introduced to the Convention by the Department President.

Business resumed.

Dr. Sallie Jackson nominated Miss India Hackleman for Senior Vice-President seconded by Mrs. Crisler, of Corps No. 113.

Moved by Mrs. Wright, of Corps No. 40, and seconded by Mrs. Abbott, of Corps No. 12, that nominations for Senior Vice-President be closed. Carried.

The candidates were then brought to the platform and presented by the President.

The Convention proceeded to cast ballots for Senior Vice-President, which resulted as follows:

Total votes cast.....	241
Necessary to a choice.....	121
Mrs. McBride.....	98
Mrs. Winterrowd.....	25
Miss Hackleman.....	118

There being no election a second ballot was ordered and resulted as follows:

Total number of votes cast.....	247
Necessary to a choice.....	124

Mrs. McBride . . . . .	87
Mrs. Winterrowd . . . . .	14
Miss Hackleman . . . . .	146

President:

Miss India Hackleman having received the majority of votes cast, is elected Senior Vice-President of the Department of Indiana.

Moved by Mrs. Myherhoff and seconded by Mrs. Cox that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot of this Convention for Mrs. McBride as Junior Vice-President of this Department. The motion was made unanimous.

President:

I declare Mrs. McBride elected Junior Vice-President of Department of Indiana.

On motion of Mrs. Hess and seconded by Miss Buchanan Mrs. Alice Wheeler, of Wabash, was nominated for Department Treasurer. There being no other nominations it was moved by Mrs. Hitt, of Indianapolis, seconded by Mrs. Conklin, of Westfield, that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs. Alice Wheeler, as Treasurer of the Department. By a unanimous vote of Convention the Secretary was so instructed, and Mrs. Wheeler was declared Treasurer elect.

Mrs. Wheeler was then introduced to the Convention by the President.

Moved by Mrs. Della Thomas and seconded by Mrs. Abbott that Dr. Sallie Jackson, of Jeffersonville, be nominated for Chaplain.

Mrs. Ellis, of Corps No. 71, nominated Mrs. Martha Little, of Cicero, seconded by Mrs. Hines, of Corps No. 72.

Mrs. DePew, of Corps No. 8 Wabash, nominated Mrs. Chase, of Danville, seconded by Mrs. Martin, of Corps No. 44.

Mrs. Chase declined the nomination.

Dora Lyman, of Corps No. 67, nominated Mrs. Maxwell, of Boothrod Corps No. 97 Delphi, for Chaplain.

Moved by Mrs. Ross and seconded by Mrs. Cox that nominations for Chaplain be closed. Carried.

The President then introduced Dr. Sallie Jackson, of Jeffersonville, and Mrs. Martha Little, of Cicero, to the Convention. Mrs. Maxwell was absent on account of sickness.

Number of votes cast.....233

Necessary to a choice.....115

Dr. Sallie Jackson received.....120 votes

Mrs. Little received..... 99 votes

Mrs. Maxwell received..... 14 votes

President:

Dr. Sallie Jackson, of Jeffersonville, receiving the majority of votes cast is duly elected Chaplain of the Department of Indiana.

Moved by Mrs. Ross, of Indianapolis, and seconded by Mrs. Travis, of Crawfordsville, that Mrs. Jennie L. Case, of Marion, be nominated for Chairman of the Executive Board. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hitt, of Indianapolis, and seconded by Mrs. Hageman that the nominations be closed. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Ross, of Indianapolis, and seconded by Mrs. Harriman that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for Jennie L. Case as Chairman of the Executive Board. The motion carried and the Secretary so instructed.

President:

Mrs. Jennie L. Case, of Corps No. 63 of Marion is duly elected Chairman of the Executive Board of Indiana.

Moved by Mrs. Athey, of Richmond, and seconded by Mrs. Mitchell, of New Castle, that Mrs. C. B. Shelley of Corps No. 96, be nominated a member of the Executive Board.

Mrs. Woods nominated Mrs. Kate Johnson, of Liberty, as a member of the Executive Board, seconded by Millie Croucher, of Jeffersonville.

Mrs. Wulchner, of Indianapolis, nominated Mrs. Anna Freeman as a member of the Executive Board, seconded by Mrs. Cox.



Mrs. Little nominated Mrs. Waugh, of Tipton, as a member of the Executive Board, seconded by Mrs. Thayer.

Mrs. Ida McBride nominated Mrs. Eliza, Cochrane, of Corps No. 44, as a member of the executive Board, seconded by Mrs. Gray.

Mrs. Pennington nominated Mrs. Conklin as a member of the Executive Board. Mrs. Conklin declined the nomination.

Mrs. Lizzie Andrews nominated Laura Lower, of North Manchester, as a member of the Executive Board, seconded by Mrs. Forbes.

Moved by Mrs. Conklin and seconded by Mrs. Hoskins, that the nominations be closed; carried.

Moved by Mrs. Ransford, of Indianapolis, and seconded by Mrs. Travis, of Crawfordsville, that the first four receiving the highest number of votes be declared members of this Board. The motion was concurred in.

Nominees of the Executive Board of the Department were introduced to the Convention by the President.

Mrs. Shelley received.....	223 votes
Mrs. Johnson received.....	196 votes
Mrs. Waugh received.....	177 votes
Mrs. Freeman received.....	120 votes
Mrs. Lower received.....	103 votes
Mrs. Cochrane received.....	88 votes

Mrs. Shelley, of New Castle, Mrs. Johnson, of Jeffersonville, Mrs. Waugh, of Tipton, and Mrs. Freeman, of Indianapolis, were declared duly elected members of the Executive Board, of the Department of Indiana.

Nominations for delegates to National Convention being in order Mrs. Case nominated Mrs. Emily J. Butterfield, of Evansville, for delegate-at-large, seconded by Mrs. Wulschner.

Helen Ensley, of Auburn Corps No. 2, nominated Mrs. Alice Ross, of Indianapolis, seconded by Mrs. Kercheval. Mrs. Ross declined the nomination.

Moved by Mrs. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Hoskins that the nominations be closed. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Sallie Jackson, and seconded by Mrs. Graham that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for the election of Mrs. Butterfield as delegate-at-large to the National Convention.

This motion was concurred in and Mrs. Butterfield was declared duly elected.

Moved by Mrs. Hitt, of Indianapolis, that the delegates be required to pledge themselves to go to the National Convention not only to go but to stay there and to attend every session. Seconded by Mrs. Myherhoff. Carried.

Mrs. Hoskins, of Indianapolis, nominated Mrs. Martin as delegate to the National Convention, seconded by Mrs. Snyder.

Mrs. Ensley nominated Mrs. Ross, Indianapolis, seconded by Mrs. Kercheval.

Mrs. Tinsley nominated Mrs. Travis, Crawfordsville, seconded by Mrs. Conklin.

Mrs. Bristow nominated Mrs. Conklin, Westfield, seconded by Mrs. Taylor.

Dr. Sallie Jackson nominated Mrs. Pennington, New Albany, seconded by Mrs. Cox.

Alice Pierson, of Liberty, nominated Mrs. Geo. Woods, Aurora, seconded by Annie Truelock.

Emma Taylor nominated Dora Lyman, of Monon seconded by Mrs. Skiff.

Mrs. Johns nominated Miss Henry, of Dublin, seconded by Mrs. Prescott.

Mrs. Cox nominated Mrs. Jane Kercheval, of Sheridan, seconded by Mrs. Little.

Mrs. Hitt, of Indianapolis, nominated Fanny Southwick, South Bend, seconded by Mrs. Gorsuch.

Mrs. Hunter, of Columbia City, nominated Liddie Heacock, of Columbia City, seconded by Eunice J. Knight.

Anna Taylor, of Terre Haute, nominated Mary Miller, of Terre Haute, seconded by Mrs. Ross, of Indianapolis.

Mrs. Harriman, of Union City, nominated Mrs. Hageman,

of Muncie, seconded by Mrs. Case.

Elmira Hood, of Harlan, nominated Jennie Graham, of Ft. Wayne, seconded by Mary Lake.

Mrs. Alice C. Wheeler, of Crown Point, nominated Mrs. Gray, of Hammond, seconded by Sue Beals of Ft. Wayne.

Mrs. Bishop nominated Agnes Keasey, of Brazil, seconded by Georgia B. Kellogg.

Ida Pioneer nominated Anna Larsh, of Richmond, seconded by Gertrude Mitchell.

Mary D. Travis, of Crawfordsville, nominated Mrs. Paver, of Indianapolis, seconded by Mrs. Bristow.

Mrs. Braxton, of Bloomington, nominated Mrs. Mulky seconded by Mrs. Messick.

Mrs. Gorsuch, of South Bend, nominated Mrs. Harriman, of Union City, seconded by Mrs. Towsley.

Sallie Antle nominated Annie E. Haymond, of Shelbyville, seconded by Julia Harper, of Sharpsville.

Mrs. McBride, of Elkhart, nominated Alice C. Wheeler, of Crown Point, seconded by Mrs. Gorsuch, of South Bend.

Mrs. Sallie Highland, of Indianapolis, nominated Mrs. Cox, of Indianapolis, seconded by Mrs. Peddicord.

Nancy McCague nominated Mattie E. Beidler, of Waterloo, seconded by Alice Shaver.

Moved by Mrs. Ransford, of Indianapolis, and seconded by Mrs. Hitt, of Indianapolis, that the nominations be closed. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Travis, of Crawfordsville, seconded by Mrs. Kercheval that the first nine receiving the highest number of votes be made the delegates to the National Convention, and the second nine the alternates. Carried.

It being announced that Commander-in-Chief Veazy, of Vermont, and his staff, escorted by a Committee from the Encampment of the G. A. R. were waiting to be admitted, proper officers were instructed to admit them.

Open meeting declared.

Chief Conductor, Ida Morrison introduced the visitors and they were escorted to the platform.

Mrs. Caylor:—Ladies of this Convention, it gives me great pleasure to present to you Commander-in-Chief Veazy and his staff. Ladies salute.

Commander-in-Chief Veazy addressed the Convention as follows:

*Mrs. President and Ladies of the Relief Corps of Indiana:*

I assure you it affords me the greatest pleasure to have this opportunity of evading your presence and your Convention with the comrades of this Department of the G. A. R. of this Department of the Grand Army of the Republic. Many of whom are members of my staff. We do not wish to impose upon your time. We come for the purpose of paying our respects to this Department, Woman's Relief Corps, and for the purpose on my part individually, of testifying to my great regard for your organization as it exists in our whole country.

It has been my pleasure, Mrs. President and Ladies, to have the opportunity during the past two months and more, (as I have been visiting the Department Encampments of the Grand Army of the Republic) to meet the ladies of the Relief Corps in their state conventions, which they were holding in connection with ours, as you are now holding your encampment here. I have visited the Departments of the Grand Army, all over our country, and have made inquiry in respect to your Corps, as it seemed to me it was my duty to do, as we regard you substantially as a part of the Grand Army of the Republic. I have inquired in respect to your organization and its work, its influence, as an auxiliary. I am happy to be able to state to you on this occasion, that I have everywhere received the most favorable answer in your behalf. (applause.)

The comrades tell me, and I have been from the Atlantic ocean west, to the Rocky Mountains; I have been south as well as in the north; the comrades tell me everywhere, where your Corps exists in connection with the Grand Army Posts that they have received the greatest benefit. That you have been in fact what your name imposes, an "auxiliary" indeed,



of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Now ladies perhaps you will appreciate this a little more when you learn that when I was elected Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, I did not fully endorse the Woman's Relief Corps as I do at present. I had not been one of these gushing gentlemen of our order, not that I had any prejudice against your organization, but being a little more formal, and perhaps a little more honest than my friends had been, I had not happened to come in that personal relation and contact with your organization which others had. I had not been in the habit of addressing you; and saying pretty words and all that sort of thing. I was an indifferent judge and an indifferent witness. But it was my duty as I saw at once to investigate, and find out what the fact was about your organization as it existed, and operated, in the several departments. And so this led me to make the inquiries to which I have already alluded, and to my great gratification it brought out the response which I have already stated. The testimony was universally in your favor, madam, and in favor of your organization. I became so impressed by this testimony, I became so thoroughly convinced by the reports that were made to me under this personal examination, investigation and inquiries, that you had in fact sustained and supported the Grand Army in a most material and substantial manner, that I soon began to advise the Posts of our order, who were weak, who could not get the adequate amount of funds for the purposes of relief which were required, and demanded of them, and who were afraid in some instances, that they might have to surrender their charter, on the score of their weakness and asked me what they could do to maintain an existence,—I have said to them that the best and safest plan, is to induce the ladies of your precincts to form a Woman's Relief Corps. In many instances they have accepted my advice, and induced the generous, noble-hearted women of their district and locality to form a connection with this organization and I have heard from them in some cases in which they expressed themselves as having received great

benefit from their auxiliary, and been relieved of the financial embarrassment, to which I have alluded. That their Posts have increased in membership, that their treasury has been replenished, attention is given the sick and needy, they are gaining the respect and confidence of the community in which they live on account of their great charity work and that they owed it to the influence and the work, and the help that came from the Woman's Relief Corps. This is the testimony ladies, that I have come in to offer to you on this occasion, in respect to the substantial work and worth of this organization. It is a pleasure to me to do this. It is, as I have said, not the mere gushing expression of the mouth and the lips, it is the result, the conclusion and the judgment upon a fair hearing and trial of the case.

Now, ladies, I see by the papers, that your membership is very large and that you are in a prosperous, an exceedingly prosperous condition, in this Department of Indiana. It is a source of the greatest gratification to me to know this, because I know that the prosperity of your organization means the increasing prosperity of ours. I have found upon investigation that your Corps have accomplished so much in so many places in aid and support of the Posts of the Grand Army, that I have taken the liberty ladies, as I have visited your conventions and assemblies in the different states, to say to them, and I will take the same liberty to say to you now, that I wish, that I sincerely desire that you will take upon you an additional service.

Your great and grand life work is to aid the sick and relieve those who are in distress and who are lying, in many instances upon the death bed. That is your work. There is nothing superior to it. There is no work that has ever been rendered by mortals that is superior to it. This is your especial object. You soothe the poor old comrade and any member of his family who is in distressed circumstances, you supply their temporal wants. It is a great advantage to have you do this, for somehow or other it was not given to man to be as a rule, the efficient nurses, to carry on the work of charity

in a practical manner. We are clumsy about it. Our hands somehow don't seem to be adapted to that kind of work. We can not get the money for it as you can get it. People will not respond to our calls for money, as they will, and do respond to you. You can get up the Fair that will bring in the contributions very liberally. If *we* ask folks to give assistance they simply turn us off with a laugh. There is certainly this quality existing in your sex, that is superior to ours. Now this has been your grand work and help to us, and you have generally regarded it as your duty to the Grand Army. But I am satisfied that you can add to your duty, ladies, as I started in saying to you a moment ago. I wish you would take it upon yourselves as an additional duty, to become in every sense and respect the recruiting agents of the Grand Army of the Republic. Notwithstanding our organization has conquered all prejudice against it and stands to-day acknowledged by the people as being superior to any organization that ever existed in its benevolent work of fraternity, charity and loyalty. It is so far above, so much broader and loftier than any other soldier organization yet there are always others threatening to put themselves in antagonism to us, although none claims to be so lofty in principle and none so grand in accomplishment. Notwithstanding we have the appreciation and confidence of the people now to a great extent, yet there are pretty nearly as many soldiers who were brave men, who fought the battles of the country bravely as these comrades did. Who carry upon their bodies honorable scars of wounds received in battle, nearly as many—I say a great number at any rate, of such men who have not joined our organization. We need them because they will add strength to our hands in this great work of charity. As our membership increases so our strength increases, and as we become strong we can do more in this great work. Therefore it is desirable on our part that they should be brought into our field. We desire also that they should come in on account of the personal advantage it will be to them because,

as you doubtless have observed, no man ever yet joined the Grand Army of the Republic in the true spirit and performed his duty as the Rules and Regulations require, but that he became a better man. On that account we desire their membership. Why have they not come in? They are coming in more rapidly now than ever before. They are simply outside because they have not stopped to think long. They almost all I think expect to come. They have no feeling of antagonism to us, they are simply waiting and watching as people do.

Now ladies, here you can help the Grand Army. It will be an easy matter for you to inquire and find whether this old soldier is a member of the Grand Army, and if you find he is not, try to induce him to come; your persuasion will not be resisted. They would come in—they would flock to the field in great numbers if the ladies of the Relief Corps would only say, we will set ourselves to this part of the work. May I not ladies, appeal to you, the representatives of this great organization composed of over 8,000 members in your state, and I trust they will increase in numbers because this magnificent state of Indiana has more than 8,000, yes more than 80,000 loyal earnest women, and every one of them should be a member of this organization. Now may I not appeal to you as the representative of the Corps and the representative woman of your state, to take upon yourselves this additional burden, and work and help these comrades who stand on this platform here, representing all parts of the state, help them bring in the old war comrade who is worthy and get the benefit of his assistance, and confer upon him the benefit of membership.

I thank you for your attention, I thank you most sincerely and earnestly for the great compliment that you extended to me for allowing me to come into your presence and address you for a few moments. I apologize for taking your time so long. If you could only understand how earnestly I desire the prosperity, the increased prosperity of the Order of the Grand Army of the Republic. I know you would pardon me



for making this appeal to you and detaining you so long. I again thank you.

President:— I want to express to you how much this Convention feels honored by your presence, and we thank you for your kind and encouraging words. May God bless the organization of which you have been chosen chief.

Past Department Commander Travis being invited by the President to speak to the Convention said:

As you have all heard from me in the past, I would like very well to give my place to Comrade Coulter of Kansas.

Mrs. Caylor:— I was not aware that we had a visiting member from another department. I welcome you comrade Coulter, to our convention; Ladies, it gives me great pleasure to introduce to you, Comrade Coulter of the Dep't. of Kansas.

Mr. Coulter:—Mrs. President and Ladies of the Department of Indiana Woman's Relief Corps, it is a gratification to me to stand in your presence in company with the Commander-in-Chief. The Commander-in-Chief has well and ably talked to you of the great good of your organization and of his personal and our united appreciation of your work. I simply want to say on behalf of the organization in Kansas that I extend to you on their behalf greetings and wish you a most prosperous and earnest Convention. In Kansas I believe we have the most true and loyal members of the Woman's Relief Corps in the world, except Indiana. But we appreciate them more than we can you, because we know more of them. In Kansas not a comrade his wife or his children go to the poor house. This is largely due, in fact we give the credit to the Woman's Relief Corps. The western branch of the National Home is located in Kansas, which has been so abundantly supplied with all the blankets and the other necessities to make the old boys very comfortable, until the treasurer of that Home has had to say to the patrons not to send anything more there. We have an Orphan's Home and also a Soldier's Home that are equally well

provided for by the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps. We have now a State Soldier's Home where the old comrade goes and takes his old wife that has stood by him through the storms of life and his whole family and there he is provided for. The Woman's Relief Corps have fitted up the rooms of the Home as handsomely as some of our own homes. The Woman's Relief Corps to-day by their efforts have organized a National school for the education the free education of the Soldier's orphans.

Our worthy Past President, Mrs. Wickens is here to represent that Home. I want to say that we comrades of Kansas appreciate the Woman's Relief Corps. We appreciate the fact that they are a band of loyal women. I want to say personally that I appreciate higher probably than I can express to you, the great work of this organization of yours, and I appreciate too, the fact, that it is based upon loyalty—loyalty to the country and loyalty to the men that defended the country, in the war. God bless you.

I want to tell you something quietly, I don't want the Commander-in-Chief to know it. He has been to Kansas. He was to stop in Indianapolis. The comrades here were anxious to hear from him and they telegraphed and used all possible means to hear from him. The facts are that the Woman's Relief Corps of the Department of Illinois had captured him, and I only succeeded in stealing him away in the night.

Mrs. Wickens:—The reason Comrade Coulter expresses himself in such enthusiastic terms is, he has rendered us valuable service; he has given the services of his wife as Senior Vice-President during the past year.

Lieutenant-Governor Chase was called for and said:

If I thought the Convention did not know how broad, and how deep, and how high my love was for it, I would stand an hour or two telling it. I have met you in the various parts of the state under varied circumstances and always with delight. And what the Commander-in-Chief has said

concerning your worth, and work, has not in any respect been overstated. He would say, as we will say, that it is understood, there is no relief work but woman's love can accomplish and no misery that woman's work cannot remedy, and though we may not say so much about it, I want to impress upon you, we do in our heart of hearts appreciate more than we are able to say or express by act or word, what you are doing for the Grand Army of the Republic.

Past Dept. Commander Foster upon invitation of Dept. Pres. spoke as follows:

I want simply to say when I was leaving home, bidding good-bye to the best woman in all the world, I said to her, What shall I say to the ladies for you? she replied, "Give my greetings, and express to them my regret at my inability to be present with them this year. Give them as my excuse that I am temporarily in the service, caring for a very young daughter of the army."

Past Dept. Commander Travis:—I want to make this statement to the Commander-in-Chief because I know that the ladies would not say it themselves, during the past year the Woman's Relief Corps of Indiana have increased in membership over two thousand. They have instituted twenty-six new Corps. Have expended in charity during the last year over \$5,000.00. I just simply want to make this report to you, because Indiana it is not behind any of her sister states.

Mrs. Caylor:—Commander-in-Chief I desire to say, that we owe much to Commander Travis in many ways. He was the outgoing Commander and he encouraged the Posts all over the state to organize Relief Corps, and we feel this year's success is largely the result of his labor last year.

Commander Travis:—Mrs. President, I appreciate the compliment.

After the departure of the Commander-in-Chief and his staff the President introduced to the Convention, Mrs. Foster who is seventy-eight years of age and the oldest member in the Department. The President presented her with a badge and

said, We feel greatly honored with your presence this afternoon. Ladies Mr. Foster the husband of this lady, laid the corner stone of the Soldier's and Sailor's Home at Knightstown. Mrs. Foster kindly thanked the President and was seated.

President:—Mrs. Margaret R. Wickens, Past Dept. Pres. of Kansas, desires to make a little announcement.

Mrs. Wickens:—I want to call your attention to my mission, as Comrade Coulter referred to the G. A. R. Memorial College started in Oberlin. They have asked me to visit the different Conventions and represent this work. You will remember at Boston this National Memorial College was endorsed by a resolution in the convention. It is for the free education of the children of Soldiers and Sailors of the West. The College is maintained by special contributions throughout the United States. It is not a local institution, but National, and they ask that the Departments do what they can financially. I am not come to ask for contributions, but if there are those who desire to contribute, or if you feel able to pledge your Corps for a part in it, we would be obliged. And we would be very glad to get a resolution that will give your endorsement to the work, and we feel that having the National endorsement, the next legal step is to have the endorsement of the several Department Conventions. Then we hope to visit the local Corps Officers and Committees of the State, and present the work to you through them. I have the drawings of the school with me and shall be glad to give them to any of the delegates at the close.

I certainly esteem this a privilege to come to you because forty-eight years ago I was born in this state, and I look back with a great deal of pride that my birth place is the capital of Indiana.

Business was then resumed and the tellers announced the result of the ballot for delegates and alternates as follows:

Mrs. Ross, of Indianapolis.....154

Mrs. Martin, of Indianapolis.....140



Mrs. Conklin, of Westfield.....	135
Mrs. Travis, of Crawfordsville.....	134
Mrs. Wheeler, of Crown Point.....	118
Mrs. Mulky, of Bloomington.....	104
Mrs. Woods, of Aurora.....	100
Mrs. Kercheval, of Sheridan.....	98
Mrs. Miller, of Terre Haute.....	80
Mrs. Pennington, of New Albany.....	79
Mrs. Hageman, of Muncie.....	77
Mrs. Southwick, of South Bend.....	59
Mrs. Gray, of Hammond.....	56
Miss Henry, of Dublin.....	53
Mrs. Keasy, of Brazil.....	52
Mrs. Lyman, of Monon.....	48
Mrs. Paver, of Indianapolis.....	47
Mrs. Harriman, of Union City.....	45
Mrs. Heacock, of Columbia City.....	45
Mrs. Beidler, of Waterloo.....	39
Mrs. Haymond, of Shelbyville.....	33
Mrs. Cox, of Indianapolis.....	33
Mrs. Larsh, of Richmond.....	31
Mrs. Graham, of Ft. Wayne.....	24

The first nine were declared duly elected as delegates to the National Convention and the second nine duly elected alternates.

Moved by Mrs. Hitt and seconded by Mrs. Gorsuch that the Convention adjourn to meet at 9 o'clock a. m. Friday, April 9th., 1891, in this room, carried.

#### FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Meeting called to order at 9 o'clock a. m. by the President. Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by Dr. Jackson. Song, "America" by the Convention.

Minutes were read and approved.

Roll was called and one hundred and thirty voters responded.

Mrs. Wulschner announced the death of Dr. George New.

It was moved by Mrs. Wulschner and seconded by Mrs. Myherhoff that the Secretary of the Convention be instructed to write a letter of condolence to Mrs. Adelia New, carried.

Moved by Dr. Sallie Jackson, seconded by Mrs. Lower, of North Manchester, that Mrs. Ransford be nominated alternate-at-large to the National Convention. Mrs. Ransford declined the nomination.

Mrs. Travis, of Crawfordsville, nominated Nancy Davis, of Indianapolis, Corps No. 44, alternate-at-large seconded by Mrs. Cox, of Indianapolis.

Mrs. Mattie Elliott, of Greensburg, Corps No. 113, nominated Louisa S. Havens, of Rushville, seconded by India Hackleman, of Rushville.

Carrie Hoskins, of Indianapolis, Corps No. 44, nominated Lizzie Grill, of Evansville, seconded by Julia Conklin. Mrs. Grill declined the nomination.

America Woods, Corps No. 93, Aurora, nominated Eliza Crisler, of Greensburg, Corps No. 113.

Mary J. Mulky, of Bloomington Corps No. 92, nominated Mrs. Zinn, of Indianapolis, seconded by M. Jennie Graham, of Ft. Wayne. Mrs Zinn declined.

Moved by Annie Weldon, of Indianapolis, Corps No. 20, that the nominations be closed. Seconded by America Wood of Aurora Corps No. 93. Carried.

Mrs. Nancy Davis, of Indianapolis, Corps No. 44, declined the nomination as Alternate-at-large to the National Convention.

Moved by Mrs. Ransford, of Indianaplis, Corps No. 44, that Mrs. Davis' resignation be accepted. Motion seconded by Mrs. Wright. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hitt of Indianapolis, Corps No. 44 that a Committee be sent from the Convention, with greetings to the Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, seconded by Mrs. Travies of Crawfordsville, Corps No. 74, carried.

The President:—I will appointment on that Committee Mrs. Hitt, Mrs. McBride, Mrs. Ross, and Dr. Jackson, and re-

quest that they also act as an escort for Mrs. Wickents, of Kansas, who wishes to visit the encampment.

Greetings from Decatur, Illinois, read by the Secretary as follows:

DECATUR, ILL., APRIL 9, 1891.

TO MRS. MELISSA CAYLOR,

*Dept. President W. R. C.:*

Eighth Department Convention, of Illinois composed of five hundred and fifty-six representatives, returns fraternal greetings and wishes you unbounded success in your work.

DELIAH A. LEAVERTON.

*Department President.*

Moved by Mrs. Graham, of Ft. Wayne, Corps No. 7, seconded by Columbia Kercheval, of Indianapolis, Corps No. 20, that the communication be received and noted. Carried.

The tellers announced the result of the ballot for alternate-at-large as follows:

There were one hundred and thirty-three votes cast; necessary to a choice sixty-seven, of which Mrs. Crisler, of Greensburg Corps, No. 113, received eighty-nine and Mrs. Havens, of Rushville, Corps No. 68, received forty.

Mrs. Crisler having received the largest number of votes cast, it was moved by Mrs. Ransford seconded by Mrs. Graham that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for her as alternate-at-large. The vote being unanimous Mrs. Crisler was declared elected.

The minutes of the Council Meeting were here taken up and read in sections by the Convention.

After some discussion it was moved by Mrs. Ransford, that the minutes of the Council as a whole be concurred in, and adopted by this Convention, seconded by Mrs. Ellis. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Gorsuch that Mrs. Haskell be excused from reading her report of the National Convention, and that it be printed in the journal. Seconded by Mrs. Graham. Carried.

The report of the Committee on President's address and Senior and Junior Vice-President's reports was read.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

The Committee appointed on Department President's address respectfully submit the following:

The President's report was very ably written and delivered in an excellent manner. She gave a very clear and interesting account of the year's work showing a very satisfactory growth and a generally increasing interest in the work of our Order. Especial attention is called to that part relating to the Sons of Veterans. And we would further urge all Corps to encourage and aid the organization of Camps in their respective localities. Also the recommendation in regard to placing the American flag on our school buildings.

## RECOMMENDATIONS.

1st. The purchase of a souvenir badge for delegates to National Convention not approved.

2nd. We approve of the President's recommendation for the disposition of the Christmas fund for the Soldier's and Sailor's Orphan's Home.

3rd. That calls for financial aid must come through proper channels is approved.

4th. In regard to dispensation blanks is approved.

5th. We approve of the plan for supplying Corps Secretary with Membership Election blanks.

6th. Approved by Committee.

7th. Not approved.

8th. The suggestion we regard as expensive and unnecessary.

9th. We heartily endorse the sentiment herein expressed, and believe its adoption would greatly strengthen and augment the usefulness of our Order.

10th. Approved.

11th. Approved.

12th. We are heartily in sympathy with the suggestion proposed for purchasing flags for our public school buildings.

Submitted respectfully, in F. C. and L.,

HELEN ENSLEY,  
FRANCES S. JOHN,  
JOSEPHINE THOMAS,



Moved by Mrs. Ransford, seconded by Mrs. Graham, that the report of the committee be accepted and the recommendations acted upon separately. Carried.

## RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE.

No. 1. Concluded in by the Convention.

No. 2. Moved by Mrs. Wulschner and seconded by Mrs. Ransford that it be not adopted. The motion was lost and the recommendation adopted.

No. 3. Moved by Mrs. Graham, of Ft. Wayne, and seconded by Mrs. Henry, of Dublin, that it be adopted. Carried.

No. 4. Moved by Mrs. Ransford, seconded by Mrs. Snyder, that it be adopted. Carried.

No. 5. Moved by Mrs. Ransford, seconded by Mrs. Palmer, that it be adopted. Carried.

No. 6. Moved by Mrs. Graham, seconded by Mrs. Cox, that it be adopted. Carried.

No. 7. Moved by Mrs. Ransford, seconded by Mrs. Beeson, of Winchester, that it be adopted. Carried.

No. 8. Moved by Mrs. Graham, seconded by Mrs. Ransford, that it be adopted. Carried.

No. 9. Moved by Mrs. Ellis, seconded by Mrs. Mulky, of Bloomington, that it be adopted. Carried.

No. 10. Moved by Mrs. Ransford, seconded by Mrs. Hitt, that it be adopted. Carried.

No. 11. Moved by Mrs. Conover and seconded by Mrs. Beeson, that it be adopted. Carried.

No. 12. Moved by Mrs. Kellogg and seconded by Mrs. Martin that it be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Ransford and seconded by Mrs. Athey that the report of the Committee as a whole be adopted. Carried.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

*Mrs. President.*

Your Committee on Senior and Junior Vice-President's reports respectfully submit the following:

The Senior Vice-President presented an excellent report showing that she had been ever ready and willing to respond to all calls made by the President and we commend her faithfulness in the discharge of her official duties.

The Junior Vice-President's report though short she displayed zeal and love for the cause worthy of imitation.

Submitted respectfully, in F. C. and L.,

HELEN ENSLEY,  
FRANCES S. JOHN,  
JOSEPHINE THOMAS,

Moved by Mrs. Gorsuch and seconded by Mrs. Boyd that the reports on the Senior Vice and Junior Vice-President's reports be adopted as a whole. Carried.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SECRETARY'S REPORT.

INDIANAPOLIS IND., APRIL, 9th., 1891.

*Mrs. President and Members of the Convention:*

The Committee upon the Secretary's report have reviewed the work of your faithful co-worker, and find it well done. We heartily congratulate the retiring President upon the good business ability of this office.

Upon the recommendations offered we beg to report as follows:

1st, 2nd and 3rd. Approved by the Committee.

4th. Not approved.

It seems to the Committee, that as the finances of the Department are in a healthy condition, the per capita tax should cover all legitimate expenses. Business courtesy might suggest a return stamp, but nothing of this kind should be demanded in correspondence.

Respectfully Submitted,

SALLIE C. HASKELL,  
BELLE S. BISHOP,  
SUSAN V. DAVISON.

Moved by Mrs. Hitt and seconded by Mrs. Wright that the report of this Committee on the Secretary's report be adopted as a whole. Carried.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TREAS. REPORT.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., APRIL 9th, 1891.

*Mrs. President and Members of the Convention:*

Your Committee upon Treasurer's report find by careful examination that her accounts are strictly correct, and we take pleasure in publicly complimenting her beautifully executed work. No one more than the chairman of this Committee realizes how many hours of arduous labor this report embraces.

Of the recommendations, 1st and 2nd are approved by the Committee. 3rd not approved. Reason, we believe an obligatory measure of this character would retard the work of a Corps. Without any lack of forethought on the part of Corps officers supplies might be absolutely required between the dates mentioned in the report.

Respectfully Submitted,

SALLIE C. HASKELL,  
BELLE S. BISHOP,  
SUSAN V. DAVISON.

Moved by Mrs. Graham, and seconded by Mrs. Kercheval that the Committees report be adopted as a whole. Carried.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

INDIANAPOLIS IND., APRIL, 9th., 1891.

*Mrs. President and Members of the Convention:*

The Committee on Chaplain's report feel that great credit is due the officer for her prompt report to National Headquarters. We endorse her idea regarding the delinquent Memorial blanks. Every Corps President is expected to see

that her Chaplain attend the work which she has obligated herself to perform and make her report at the proper time.

Respectfully Submitted,

SALLIE C. HASKELL,  
BELLE S. BISHOP,  
SUSAN V. DAVISON.

Moved by Mrs. Gorsuch and seconded by Mrs. Conovers that this report be adopted as a whole. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hitt and seconded by Mrs. Wright that in case the Convention was not through before one o'clock that they adjourn to Thomas Post Hall. Carried.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COUNSELOR, I. AND I. OFFICER AND INSPECTOR'S REPORTS.

##### *Mrs. President and Members of the Convention:*

We, the Committee, appointed upon reports of Counselor, I. and I. Officer and Inspector do hereby submit the following report:

We have carefully examined Counselor's Report, and commend it for its able and impartial decisions which we find in full accord with Rules and Regulations.

Report of I. and I. Officer shows a performance of earnest work well done. We endorse the recommendation of a more careful reading of the Rules and Regulations, and all General Orders. Also that proper officials be more exact in filling out election reports. We, as a Committee, recommend that our delegates to National Convention advocate the return to the use of credential cards, in place of election returns. We do not approve the recommendation of reading General Orders twice, believing it conducive to inattention of Corps members.

The Inspector deserves much credit for her very faithful discharge of duties and for the thorough and systematic manner in which they were performed. We recommend that the Inspector require of Corps Presidents and all members of the Order a closer study of the Rules and Regulations and observance of Ritualistic forms; also, that Corps Presidents give



special attention to Relief Reports to Post Commanders.

We commend the Inspector for her excellent report in which she has so happily painted the rapid growth of our beloved Order, and the consequent widened field for usefulness.

JULIA R. BRAXTON,  
CARRIE D. HAGEMAN,  
*Committee,*

Moved by Mrs. Ellis, of Westfield, and seconded by Dr. Jackson, that this report be adopted as a whole. Carried.

The Committee on Resolutions then made their report through their Chairman, Emily J. Butterfield.

Resolution No. 1, to divide the State into Districts, for the purpose of holding District Conventions, was discussed. Moved by Mrs. Kellogg, and seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the Convention reconsider the action of the Committee's report on the eighth recommendation of the President. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Kellogg that we do not adopt recommendation No. 8, of the Committee's report on the President's recommendations, seconded by Mrs. Crisler No. 113. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hitt and seconded by Mrs. Athey that the report of the Committee be adopted as a whole. Carried by consent.

The Committee having returned from a visit to the Grand Army Encampment, Mrs. Hitt reported that they were received with great honors and kindness by the Encampment.

She also announced that Col. I. N. Walker was elected Department Commander of the G. A. R.

Dr. Jackson:—Mrs. President, I wish to say to the ladies that General Carnahan said to report to this Convention that the Grand Army Encampment would meet in Ft. Wayne next year.

The following questions were then read and decisions rendered by the Department President:

## QUESTIONS AND OPINIONS.

1st. Can the President of a Corps give the pass-word of one Department to a person from another Department? Ans. No.

2nd. Can a person hold a membership badge after being expelled? Ans. No. See Rules and Regulations.

3rd. If they absolutely refuse to give up the said badge how must we proceed? Ans. Corps have no jurisdiction in the matter. The law is very definite. "Members leaving the Order must return their badges."

4th. Are members required to vote at elections, whether they wish to or not? Ans. Yes, unless excused.

5th. Can they be compelled to vote? Ans. "Members entitled to vote shall vote on all questions unless excused by vote of the Corps." They fail in their obligation when they do not comply with our laws.

6th. Should we not in our local Corps, record the election results just as they are recorded by our Department? Ans. Yes.

7th. How many members of a Relief Committee should act upon a case? Ans. There is no general rule, but Corps may adopt by-laws concerning the matter.

8th. Is a member obliged to vote in the Corps? Ans. Yes, unless excused.

9th. Has the President the privilege to appoint on important committees, members who do not attend the meetings? Ans. It is within the jurisdiction of the President to appoint whom she thinks proper.

10th. Has the President a right to be present at Committee Meetings? Ans. Yes, she is a member *ex officio*.

11th. Should an officer pro tem vacate the chair upon the arrival of the regular officer? Ans. Yes.

12th. Can two or more candidates be balloted for at the same time? Ans. No.

13th. What officer should hold the money paid by the candidate while waiting admission? Ans. Treasurer.

14th. Is there a law remitting the dues of the Secretary and Treasurer as a recompense for their services? Ans. No.

15th. Is it lawful to remit such dues by a vote of the Corps and must such vote be unanimous? Ans. Members can only have dues remitted for sickness or misfortune. See Rules and Regulations Chap. V., Art. IV.

16th. Whose duty is it to make a report to the Post of the relief extended by the Corps? Ans. The President.

17th. Which is the law of our organization the Rules and Regulations or the Ritual? Ans. Both.

18th. Has Beath's Blue Book been adopted as a fundamental guide of the Woman's Relief Corps? Ans. When our laws are silent, it is the guide.

19th. If the new Ritual governs in the matter of transfers, discharge, etc., why were not the Rules and Regulations made to conform? Ans. They do. See Rules and Regulations Chap. II, Art. II, Sec. I.

20th. Can a Corps President refuse a transfer card to a member whose dues are paid, against whom no charges exist, and who has applied therefor in a lawful manner, unless the said member shall turn over to the Corps the badge of her past office, which said badge was bought in accordance with Rules and Regulations. Ans. "A member on leaving the Order, be it by discharge, through transfer or otherwise shall deliver her badge or badges to the Corps of which she is last a member, Corps paying regular price for same. This includes all badges issued by National authority either present or past rank but not gold or souvenir badges."

21st. Should the Secretary read everything brought before the Corps? Ans. All official communications.

22nd. What is the best thing to do about taking in good, loyal women when two or three members oppose it? Ans. All loyal women are eligible to membership in the Woman's Relief Corps. The Rules and Regulations are very plain on that point. Members that are not willing to be governed by the laws of the Order should withdraw.

23rd. What can be done when a loyal woman wants to come in a Corps and there are enough women opposed to reject her through spite? Ans. No member of the Woman's Relief Corps should be influenced, in balloting, by personal dislike, malice or prejudice. It is a violation of their obligation to reject a candidate on the ground that she is a loyal woman. That question was settled by the second National Convention and members are liable to discipline who reject a candidate on that ground, only.

24th. If a Corps gives a public entertainment, would it be proper to have parties not members, take a part? Ans. Yes, if they are willing to contribute their talents.

25th. Do Corps pay the traveling expenses of President and Past Presidents to conventions. Ans. The Corps of which they are members should decide it.

26th. Who keeps the Relief money, the Chairman or Treasurer? Ans. The Treasurer shall hold all funds and other property of the Corps. Corps Treasurer shall turn over to committees such property and funds as the Corps by a vote may direct.

27th. Is it right to use the Corps funds for relief of any one not a member of the Corps? Ans. The Relief Fund is established for the assistance of needy Union Soldiers, Sailors and Marines and their families. They do not have to become members of the Relief Corps to be assisted.

28th. Do all entertainments have to be sanctioned by the Executive Committee? Ans. Not necessarily, the Corps is greater than the Committee.

29th. In appointing a Conference Committee to meet with a like Committee of the Post, does the President appoint five without herself and Secretary? Ans. The President appoints five members. The President is a member of all Committees, *ex officio*, the Secretary is not, unless appointed.

30th. Shall the Conductor and Guard in the absence of the Assistant Conductor and Assistant Guard fill their offices also? Ans. Should these officers be absent the President



fills the chair from the floor.

31st. How often may an officer be absent before the office is legally vacant? Ans. Members accepting office are expected to be present at every regular meeting. If necessary to be absent they should notify the President. The position of any officer may be declared vacant, after being absent four consecutive meetings, by a two-thirds vote of the Corps, provided due notice has been given. (See Beath's Blue Book.)

32nd. When an officer is absent for some time from all meetings, should another member be elected to fill the office? Ans. Yes, after due notice has been given the officer.

33rd. How shall it be filled? Ans. If an elective office, by election.

34th. The new Ritual, on page 33, reads thus: Presidents must not appoint standing committees on investigation: does it mean that members of other standing committees must not serve on Investigating Committees? Ans. No.

35th. When we attend the W. R. C. Convention should not the W. R. C. badge be worn more conspicuously than the badge of any other order? Ans. It certainly should.

Mrs. Wickens arose and said:

*Mrs. President and Members of the Convention:*

I must leave you now. I have enjoyed the session so much, and have enjoyed becoming acquainted with the members of your Convention, and I assure you I shall ever remember you. We are different members of one great family, and I bid you God speed. Good bye.

President:—On behalf of the Convention, I would like to thank this lady for her kind words of encouragement, that she has given us, and for her presence.

Moved by Mrs. Gorsuch that the name of Mrs. Myerhoff be place in nomination for National President, seconded by Mrs. Wulschner. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Athey and seconded by Mrs. Graham that a vote of thanks be sent to Mr. Caylor for the free use of his business room for Department Headquarters, and many other

courtesies extended during the year. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hitt and seconded by Mrs. Gorsuch that a committee be appointed to prepare a suitable testimonial for the outgoing President. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Athey and seconded by Mrs. Cox that this matter be placed in the hands of the incoming President. Carried.

The Convention then adjourned to Geo. H. Thomas Post Hall, for installation of Department Officers, where the beautiful ceremony was performed by Past Department President Mrs. Loretta Gorsuch, according to the Ritual of the Order.

After installation, the President, Mrs. Hess, made a few sensible remarks, and appointed the following committee to prepare a proper testimonial for the outgoing President: Mrs. Agnes Hitt, Mrs. Mary D. Travis and Mrs. Belle Bristow.

A vote of thanks was tendered the Conductors and Guards who so kindly assisted in making the Convention a success.

The Eighth annual Convention then adjourned sine die.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true record of the proceedings of the Eighth Annual Convention, Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Indiana..

Attest:

MARY A. BOYD

*Department Secretary.*

## GENERAL ORDERS AND CIRCULAR LETTERS.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS DEPT OF INDIANA }  
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
 CAYLOR BLOCK, }  
 NOBLESVILLE, IND., MARCH 17TH, 1890. }

GENERAL ORDER,  
 No. 1.

Having received of the Seventh Department Convention, Woman's Relief Corps, the honor of being elected President of the Department of Indiana for the ensuing year, I hereby assume the duties of the office. Department headquarters will be established at Noblesville, in Caylor's Block.

Mary E. Boyd has been duly appointed and installed Department Secretary.

A complete list of Department Officers will be furnished in General Order No. 2.

By command of

MELISSA CAYLOR,

MARY E. BOYD,

DEPT. SECRETARY.

DEPT. PRESIDENT.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPT OF INDIANA, }  
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
 CAYLOR BLOCK, }  
 NOBLESVILLE, IND., MARCH 17TH, 1890. }

### *To the Members of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Indiana, Greeting:*

For the honor conferred upon me by your representatives at the Seventh Department Convention, in electing me to the office of Department President, I desire to thank you. Also for the many kind, loving letters of encouragement already received. Were it not for the grand force that is behind me, and the towers of strength on which to lean for wisdom and help, I would most reluctantly take up the work. Each year doors open to new fields of labor. Not alone will I look to my immediate staff, but to every member of this Department for valuable assistance. I earnestly ask every officer and member to aid me.

Side by side let us work with the Grand Army of the Republic in caring for the Union Veteran and his family. Let us not forget in the busy cares of life that we each have a part in this work. The same patriotic feeling that lurks around the heart of every Comrade should stir up the heart of every true and loyal woman. No subject can be of greater national importance than loyalty among the youth. May our organization reflect the true principles of the Republic, which has given to our land peace and prosperity.

Carefully will we guard this sacred trust and rely upon the goodness of the cause and the aid of the Supreme Being, in whose hand victory is, to animate and encourage us to great and noble action, believing that Heaven will crown with success so just a cause.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

MELISSA CAYLOR,

DEPT. PRESIDENT.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS DEPT OF INDIANA  
 AFFILIATE TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
 CAYLOR BLOCK,  
 NOBLESVILLE, IND., APRIL 5th, 1895.

GENERAL ORDER,  
 No. 2.

- (1). The Seventh Department Convention held at Indianapolis, March 11th, and 12th, 1895, elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

President—Melissa Caylor, Noblesville.  
 Senior Vice-President—Hattie Buchanan, Marion.  
 Junior Vice-President—Carrie Hoskins, Indianapolis.  
 Treasurer—Julia Conklin, Westfield.  
 Mary J. McCarthy, Valpariso.

DEPARTMENT COUNCIL.

Executive Board—Sallie C. Jackson, Jeffersonville.  
 Hulda Taylor, Noblesville.  
 Mary R. Athey, Richmond.  
 Alice Ross, Indianapolis.  
 Kate Cox, Indianapolis.

STAFF OFFICERS.

- (2). Staff officers appointed were:

Secretary—Mary A. Boyd, Noblesville.  
 Counselor—Mary D. Travis, Crawfordsville.  
 Inspector—Ida McBride, Waterloo.  
 Chief Instituting and Installing Officer—Bell Bristow, Indianapolis.

- (3). All officers elected and appointed have entered upon their several duties, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

- (4). All requisitions for supplies must be addressed to Julia Conklin, Department Treasurer, Westfield. All other communications to Mary A. Boyd, Department Secretary, Noblesville.

- (5). The recognition pin adopted by the Sixth National Convention which may be worn at all times, the same as the Grand Army Button, can now be procured at Department Headquarters, with Corps supplies.

- (6). The following delegates were elected to the National Convention:

Delegate-at-Large—Laura Hess, Wabash.  
 Alternate-at-Large—Sallie Haskell, Indianapolis.

DELEGATES.

Ida McBride, Waterloo.	Bessie Cox, Kokomo.
Kate Myers, Evansville.	Elizabeth E. Ellis, Westfield.
Hettie Ransford, Indianapolis.	Littie Snyder, Indianapolis.
Mary D. Travis, Crawfordsville.	

ALTERNATES.

Ida B. Carhart, Greencastle.	Francis A. Morris, Delphi.
Carrie B. Lincoln, Ft. Wayne.	Addie C. S. Engle, Indianapolis.
Josephine Thomas, Danville.	Ida Houshalter, Anderson.
Georgia Wright, Indianapolis.	

- (7). Appointments:

VISITING COMMITTEE FOR SOLDIER' AND SAILORS' ORPHANS' HOME.

Ella Zinn, Indianapolis.	Rachel C. Kenyon, Westfield.
Hannah A. Johnson, Kokomo.	

- (8). Department Aids:

Senior Aid—Maria Schlater, Richmond.

The following Aids have been appointed for the several districts:

J. E. Nelson, Mount Vernon.	Mary E. McElvain, Terre Haute.
Fannie Wallace, Vincennes.	Lizzie Hurst, Frankfort.
Margaret Pennington, New Albany.	Anna Heward, Star City.
India Hutchinson, Brookville.	Mary J. Wisner, Bluffton.
Marietta Birch, Greencastle.	Helen Ensley, Auburn.
Clara Loucks, Indianapolis.	Hattie Armstrong, Plymouth.



(9). Attention is called to the amount to be raised for the Monument Fund for this year, trusting that each Corps by which to raise money, as the amount reported last year was not sufficient for the sum pledged for the year. If each Corps would contribute their mite it would be an easy matter to meet our obligations to the Grand Army of Indiana. One of the great objects of our organization is to assist the Grand Army in any way we can best serve them, and to "perpetuate the memory of the heroic dead."

(10). The attention of the Home and Employment Committee is called to Chap. VIII, Sec. XII, Rules and Regulations.

"The Home and Employment Committee shall secure the admission of Veterans' orphans to home provided by city or State," &c.

It is the special duty of this Committee to see that every child of a deceased soldier is provided for and not allowed to grow up without proper care and education, but to secure a place for them in the Soldier's and Sailor's Orphan's Home, where they will not receive the comforts of life, but a moral and intellectual training as well, and be prepared for useful employment.

Not one soldier served his country faithfully, even for a short time, but have some measure of his life to its success. Let us see that their children are not allowed to grow up as paupers.

To the furtherance of our noble Order we owe our every effort. Let no selfish motive prevent us from carrying out the principles of our organization.

By command of

MELISSA CAYLOR,

DEPT. PRESIDENT.

MARY E. BOYD,

DEPT. SECRETARY.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPT. OF INDIANA,  
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REP. BLIC.,  
 CAYLOR BLOCK,  
 NOBLESVILLE, IND., MAY 10TH, 1890.

GENERAL ORDER,  
 No. 3.

Attention is called to Memorial Orders from National Headquarters accompanying this Order.

All Corps will aid the Post to which they are an auxiliary, in observance of Decoration and Memorial Services. There will be

"Binding of wreaths and garlands  
 When Comrades gather around  
 To scatter Spring's sweet trophies  
 On hallowed and holy ground."

All down the vista of years has woman gathered the first May blossoms and twined them into wreaths and garlands for her beloved dead. It was woman's hands that first placed the flowers on the soldiers' graves. Twenty-two years ago this patriotic, tender thought was fixed that it might forever be preserved within the National date May 30th, by Gen. John A. Logan, then Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.

No more fitting time could have been inaugurated for these Memorial Services than in the beautiful month of May; when God has clothed the fields and woods with sweet flowers, which are springing up in every pathway, speaking to us in perfumed silence. Let the children gather them and baptize the graves of the brave, honored dead.

Every member of the Relief Corps should join in the Memorial observances. No labor of love more fitting for the hearts and hands of loyal women. Let us each year strive to make these occasions more beautiful and impressive, that they may be grand object lessons and speak volumes to coming generations. As we turn from the flower strewn graves let us not forget our sacred duty to their widows and orphans.

Our beautiful custom of preparing some tribute to the unknown dead should not be omitted, let not the memory of him whose burial place is unknown be forgotten, and while

you weave garlands and wreaths of beautiful flowers to be placed upon the graves of the loyal dead, think of those who sleep in unmarked Southern graves, uncoffined, unshrouded except, perhaps, their blankets, and remembered only in the hearts of those they loved and and left.

"They were buried at dead of night,  
The sod with their bayonets turning;  
By the struggling moonbeam's misty light,  
And the lanterns dimly burning."

Peacefully they sleep with the Stars and Stripes waving over their sacred dust; although more than a quarter of a century has passed, yet their fame is not dimmed. Time but adds to the laurels of honor we weave for our brave, honored dead.

Neither let us forget those of our own Order who death has claimed; tenderly care for their graves and "cover them over with beautiful flowers" that shall tell the story of loyalty and love. May the tie that binds us together in bonds of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty grow stronger as the years go by and the memory of the brave heroes grow dearer and sweeter with the songs of peace.

Memorial Day blanks will be furnished Corps Chaplains who are expected to make prompt returns to Department Chaplain, Mary J. McCarthy, Valparaiso. These reports should be as full and concise as possible, noting the principal features of the day.

Corps that contribute to the Memorial Fund for decorating the National cemeteries in Virginia are requested to report the amount to Department Headquarters.

Attention is called to a new song appropriate for Memorial Day, dedicated to the memory of Gen. John A. Logan. Words and music arranged by Lozier Bros., Mt. Vernon, Iowa.

By command of

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MARY A. BOYD,

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HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPT. OF INDIANA,  
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
CAYLOR BLOCK,  
NOBLESVILLE, IND., MAY 31ST, 1890.

#### CIRCULAR LETTER:

NO. 1.

The Twenty-third National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, and Eighth Annual Convention Woman's Relief Corps, will be held in Boston, the 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th of August, 1890.

Special attention is called to the Circular Letter from the Chairman of the Committee on Accommodations. All who expect to attend and desire accommodations should communicate at once with Elizabeth A. Turner, 29 Temple Place, Boston, that good quarters may be secured.

It is the desire of the National Chaplain to render a full and complete report of the part taken by all Corps in each Department in Memorial Day exercises, either in connection with the Grand Army of the Republic or otherwise. Corps Chaplains are expected to report AT ONCE to the Department Chaplain all exercises held, or participated in, by Corps on Memorial Day and the Sunday previous. It has been suggested by the National Chaplain that a satisfactory method would be for the Corps to secure in the local press the publication of the program actually carried out, with the full text of the sermons, orations and original poems delivered and then forward the same to the Department Chaplain for a basis of her report.

A prompt and efficient co-operation on the part of the Corps is earnestly requested, so that this part of our beloved order may be creditably set forth at our coming National Convention.

Sincerely yours in F. C. and L.,

MELISSA CAYLOR,

DEPT. PRESIDENT.

MARY A. BOYD,

DEPT. SECRETARY.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPT' OF INDIANA,  
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
 CAYLOR BLOCK,  
 NOBLESVILLE, IND., JUNE, 1890.  
 SPECIAL TO CORPS EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.

CIRCULAR LETTER.  
 No. 2.

In a Department like ours, where the number of Corps are so many, and where new Corps are so rapidly forming, it seems proper to occasionally draw attention to the importance of carefully examining all reports sent out, and also to call special attention to such figures as must agree in both Secretaries' and Treasurers' reports. In this way mistakes will be reduced to the minimum, and both time and money will be saved in the efforts to correct them.

Careful consideration of the following is therefore requested: Corps Presidents are the only officers responsible to these Headquarters, and should not sign their reports until personally sure of their entire accuracy. Therefore they must see that Quarterly Reports are made out on the first days of January, April, July, and October of each year.

The Department Secretary will send two of the Secretaries' blanks and two of the Treasurers' blanks to each Corps. I recommend that the President meet with the Secretary and Treasurer to make out these reports and carefully examine them before approving the same. Then forward one of each blank together with draft or Post-office money order (payable to Mrs. Julia Conklin, Department Treasurer) for amount of per capita tax, and send to Department Secretary. The other blanks are filed in Corps for future reference.

The finance Committee should meet immediately after the last meeting in the quarter to audit the books, that they may be in readiness for the Secretary and Treasurer to make out their reports. The figures made in red ink must not be changed. The amount expended in charity must be alike in both Secretary's and Treasurer's reports. The total number in good standing at the close of the quarter in Secretary's report, and the number on which per capita tax is paid in Treasurer's report must be exactly the same. A careful adherence to these rules, and also to the notes of explanation on blanks, will save much needless time and expense in getting a correct report.

If such reports and per capita tax are not received at Department Headquarters by the 5TH DAY of the months of January, April, July and October, the Corps will be suspended for that quarter.

Relief Reports must be sent only to Commander of the Post to which you Corps is auxiliary. As the next Quarterly Reports will be used to show the standing of our Department to the National Convention, it is earnestly requested that each Corps President promptly forward all reports in accordance with Chapter V, Article I, Section 1, Rules and Regulations. Corps not receiving such blanks before the last meeting in the quarter will please notify us at once.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

MELISSA CAYLOR,

DEPT. PRESIDENT.

MARY BOYD,  
 DEPT. SECRETARY.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPT' OF INDIANA,  
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
 CAYLOR BLOCK,  
 NOBLESVILLE, IND., JULY 23RD, 1890.

GENERAL ORDER,  
 No. 4.

The twenty-fourth annual session of the National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, and the eighth annual convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the G. A. R., will be held in Boston on the 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th of August 1890.

The Department Commander staff and delegates, and also the delegates and department officers of the W. R. C. of this Department will leave Indianapolis by special train

over the Big Four route about 3:15 p. m., Saturday, August 9th, reaching Niagara Falls early next morning; stop there four hours and arrive in Boston early Monday morning, August 11th.

The rates secured for this special Headquarters train is \$15 for round trip, good only on this particular train, but tickets good to return by all trains until August 20th, with privilege of further extension if desired until September 30th. Sleeping cars will be attached to this special train in which the rate for double berths will be \$5.50 from Indianapolis to Boston. All parties who wish sleeping car accommodations will please notify I. N. Walker, Assistant Adjutant General G. A. R., at their headquarters, Indianapolis, as early as possible. Every comfort and convenience will be furnished on this special train, and all members and their friends are cordially invited to accompany us. All desiring to go on this train are urgently requested to send their names to Department Headquarters at once so that they may be provided for. Opportunities will be given visitors while in Boston to go to all points of interest, as excursions will be run in all directions by both land and water. The Department Headquarters of the W. R. C., while in Boston, will be at the Hotel Vendome. Delegates are requested to report as they arrive. Convention will meet in Fremont Temple at 10 o'clock a. m. and it is expected that every delegate be in her place. Persons not yet provided for can secure accommodations by addressing Mrs. L. A. Turner, Chairman committee on accommodations, 29 Temple Place, Boston.

This Department Headquarters will be closed after August 9th for two weeks, during the absence of the Department officers while attending National convention. Corps wishing to order supplies will do so at once.

By command of

MELISSA CAYLOR,

DEPT. PRESIDENT.

MARY A. BOYD,

DEPT. SECRETARY.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPT OF INDIANA, }  
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
 CAYLOR BLOCK, }  
 NOBLESVILLE, IND., OCT. 6TH, 1890. }

GENERAL ORDER,  
 No. 5.

Attention is called to General Order No. 8 from National Headquarters. May each Corps deem it a privilege to give some article for use or adornment to help brighten the home of these aged mothers. Let us reward them by strewing their pathway while living with choice comforts.

The following named delegates that were elected by the Department Convention as representatives to the National Convention have resigned: Ida McBride, Elkhart; Kat Myers, Evansville; Mary D. Travis, Crawfordsville; Bessie Cox, Kokomo. But two of the alternates will attend, Frances M. Morrow, of Delphi, and Addie C. S. Engles, of Indianapolis, the other five in turn declining.

We earnestly desire that Indiana shall be fully represented at the coming National Convention, therefore Jennie E. Sherwine, of Russiaville, and Vesta M. Hood, of Indianapolis, have been nominated to fill the vacancies. These nominations have been duly approved by the Department Council. Department Headquarters will be located at Hotel Vendome. All members of the W. R. C., Department of Indiana, are requested to report and register as soon as they arrive in Boston. Mrs. Julia Conklin has been appointed Chairman of the Committee on Reception.

By Command of

MELISSA CAYLOR,

DEPT. PRESIDENT.

MARY A. BOYD,

DEPT. SECRETARY.



HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEP'T OF INDIANA,  
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
 CAYLOR BLOCK,  
 NOBLESVILLE, IND., JUNE, 1890.

GENERAL ORDER,  
 No. 6.

In compliance with Rules and Regulations of our Order, Chapter V, Article V, the annual inspection of all Corps in this Department will take place in the months of October and November.

Each Corps will be prepared to exemplify the entire work of the Ritual and all books and papers relating to the work of the past year MUST be at hand for inspection.

Corps Presidents will be prepared to give the number of members in good standing; average attendance of officers; average attendance of members, including officers; amount of money expended for relief during the year and estimate value of relief other than money. It will be impossible to meet every Corps for inspection at their regular meetings without incurring great expense. Therefore each Corps President MUST, when notified, call a SPECIAL meeting if the time specified does not come on a regular meeting day, and notify EACH member that a full attendance may be secured.

The traveling expenses of Inspector are paid by the Department and ALL local expense by Corps inspected. The Department President asks that every courtesy be extended to the Inspector and her Assistants. Their duties are by no means easy, and it is not a pleasant matter to arrive in a strange city and be obliged to search for entertainment.

The following Department Officers will assist in the inspection:

The Department President will inspect Nos. 14, 25, 26, 30, 34, 60, 68, 71, 78, 80, 82, 94, 104, 108, 110, 132.

Department Inspector, Ida J. McBride Nos. 2, 5, 7, 8, 15, 16, 17, 19, 24, 27, 29, 32, 36, 37, 48, 52, 58, 59, 63, 70, 83, 86, 91, 111, 130, 136, 139, 140.

Senior Vice-President, Harriet Buchanan, Nos. 13, 33, 41, 42, 46, 57, 66, 72, 77, 87, 101, 114, 117, 119, 124, 128, 137, 138.

Department Counselor, Mary D. Travis, Nos. 10, 20, 40, 43, 44, 118.

Treasurer, Julia Conklin, Nos. 6, 9, 12, 28, 38, 49, 51, 76, 89, 93, 113.

Past Department President, Agnes Hitt, Nos. 3, 11, 22, 23, 45, 61, 62, 64, 74, 100, 112, 115, 120, 123, 133, 134, 135.

Past Department Secretary, Emily J. Butterfield, Nos. 18, 21, 31, 50, 53, 55, 88, 102, 103, 107, 122.

Assistant Inspector, Helen Ensley, Nos. 35, 39, 65, 67, 73, 84, 97, 98, 105, 125, 126, 137, 129.

Nos. 4, 54, 56, 69, 75, 79, 81, 85, 90, 92, 95, 96, 106, 109, 116, 121, 131, will be provided for later and receive due notice of the time of inspection. Only experienced persons will be assigned this important work, that all instructions given may be uniform and correct.

The following Corps have been instituted since last Department Convention:

Hagan, No. 50, at Buffalo, instituted April 5, President Unie Hinkle.

Monroe Layman, No. 99, at Warren, instituted April 16, President Eliza Spurgeon.

W. S. Hancock, No. 61, at Veedersburg, instituted April 17, President Ruth A. Simmerman.

King David, No. 53, at Mt. Vernon instituted April 29, President Anna Hoad.

Schively, No. 103, at Huntingburg, instituted May 7, President Louise C. Schreeder.

Frank Jones, No. 116, at Trenton, instituted May 10, President Phoebe Sterling.

Stephen Meade, No. 21, at Fort Branch, instituted May 13, President Maggie Strain.

Martin Delaney, No. 118, at Indianapolis, instituted May 28, President Mary Palmer.

A. H. Cockrum, No. 141, at Oakland City, instituted July 8, President Maggie B. Armstrong.

Walters, No. 142, at Hebron, instituted July 19, President Etta Ludy.

Magnolia, No. 143, at Jonesboro, instituted September 9, President Lydia Cline, Sr.

By Command of

MARY A. DOYD,

DEPT. SECRETARY.

MELISSA CAYLOR,

DEPT. PRESIDENT.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPT OF INDIANA, }  
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
 CAYLOR BLOCK, }  
 NOBLESVILLE, IND., OCT. 26TH, 1890. }

GENERAL ORDER,  
 No. 7.

Attention is called to General Orders No. 2 and 3 from National Headquarters, and request they be read in two consecutive meetings, as it is very important that all members understand the changes made by the Eighth National Convention in the laws governing our Order, and it is hoped that EACH member will give strict attention during reading.

The Department President deems it necessary for the best interest of the order to issue a new Department password, as it is known that the present password has been divulged to persons not members of the Order. It will be enclosed with this General Order, also the new National password. Great care should be used in investigation that none be admitted who are not suitable persons to become members. Let us seek to strengthen and perfect our organization, that we may go on to better things. Knowing that in proportion as we excel in the day of small things we shall rejoice in the year of increase.

Corps officers are reminded that much depends on them to retain the membership of their Corps and that they should make a special effort to notify delinquent members and visit them before dropping them from the roll, as many ladies who are in arrears are so more from heedlessness than from their inability or unwillingness to pay.

Contributions to the Christmas Fund for the S. and S. Orphan's Home, at Knightstown, should be made in money and sent to the chairman of the committee, Mrs. Ella D. Zinn, No. 262, North Alabama Street, Indianapolis. Corps are requested to take action at once that one Committee may have sufficient time to make their purchases before the rush of holiday trade, and be able to secure suitable gifts.

Knowing the Fraternity that exists in our Order, we feel sure that EACH Corps will respond, thereby helping to gladden the hearts of over four hundred of these our Soldier's and Sailor's Orphans.

By command of

MELISSA CAYLOR.

DEPT. PRESIDENT.

MARY A. BOYD,  
 DEPT. SECRETARY.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPT OF INDIANA, }  
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 NOBLESVILLE, IND., NOV. 26TH, 1890. }

GENERAL ORDER,  
 No. 8.

In compliance with established law the annual election of Corps officers will occur at the first regular meeting in December, or at a special meeting to conclude the election, and must be conducted according to rules and regulations Chapter II., Article VII.

Following the election of officers, each Corps shall select delegates and an equal number of alternates to the next Department Convention in the ratio of one delegate for every fifty, and one delegate for a final fraction of more than one-half that number.

Each Corps, whatever its membership may be, is entitled to one delegate.

Presidents and Past Presidents being members of the Convention should not be chosen delegates.

Immediately after the election, the officers elected shall select the installing officer and notice of the selection be sent to Department Secretary.

Corps Treasurers must see that a blank bond is on hand for the use of the new Treasurers, as they must execute bond before installation.

Officers elect shall be installed at the first regular meeting in January, or at a special meeting arranged for that purpose.

Installing officers are requested to make their reports full, writing the names distinctly,

giving detail of ceremony, whether public or private and promptly forward one to Department Secretary, and the other to Department Instituting and Installing Officer, Belle Bristow, 24 South Illinois street, Indianapolis.

Joint-installation with Post and Sons of Veterans is urged when agreeable and convenient, and suggest that retiring officers give a brief synopsis of their work.

We earnestly advise the selection of members for office who have been earnest and faithful and have the ability and willingness to continue the good work; let them be chosen without regard to sentiment or friendship, for in their hands are placed the responsibilities of guiding the affairs of the Corps, and they should be chosen because of their fitness for the work and their devotion to the cause.

We exceedingly regret the recent report from many Corps of members in suspension and hope an effort will be made to reclaim them. Member who are in arrears are not entitled to vote and are not eligible to office until all dues are paid.

We urge upon every member the importance of renewed zeal and interest in the work. Let the recruiting of earnest women go on. Could not each member bring to our order one GOOD LOYAL WOMAN? Each year finds more work for us to do and we need the active assistance of every TRUE, LOYAL woman. The founders of our grand organization wisely opened the doors for admission, to them thus giving us an opportunity to bring under our direct influence the families of the "Communities in which we live," thereby enabling us "to inculcate lessons of patriotism." May we realize more and more that we are sealed to a work whose obligations shall never cease until time has blended into eternity; and let us see to it that when we pass beyond we shall leave trained hands to take it up.

What a grand and glorious mission is ours, and how nobly it should be performed for it involves the great underlying principles of christian living and patriotic trust.

The Christmas time is drawing near. Let all Corps cherish a Christmas spirit and remember that Christmas time brings its own peculiar need to the veterans and their families. Provide wisely for their comforts. Let not one soldier's orphan be forgotten.

Special attention is called to Mrs. Florence Baker's circular letter in regard to The Republic Magazine. It speaks clearly and distinctly for itself and gives each Corps an opportunity to contribute their mite to this fund.

The following Corps have reported donations sent to the National W. R. C. Home:

No. 24, Chaplain Brown, Valparaiso, articles valued at \$20.40.

No. 66, Warren Banta, Liberty Mills, articles valued at \$5.50.

No. 20, George H. Thomas, Indianapolis, articles valued at \$28.25.

No. 32, Howell, Goshen, articles valued at \$5.00

By command of

MELISSA CAYLOR,

DEPT. PRESIDENT.

MARY A. BOYD,

DEPT. SECRETARY.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPT OF INDIANA, }  
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
CAYLOR CLOCK, }  
NOBLESVILLE, IND., JANUARY 10TH, 1890. }

GENERAL ORDER,  
No. 9.

Copies of the Eighth National Convention Journal can now be procured by addressing the Department Secretary, and enclosing postage for the same.

It is with pleasure we announce that the new Rituals have been received at Department Headquarters, and will be mailed as rapidly as possible to the new Corps Presidents, after we have received the election returns.

Corps Presidents will bear in mind that the National President has ordered that the old Rituals be collected and placed in a sealed package and deposited with Corps Treasurer until otherwise ordered.

Special attention is called to the National W. R. C. Home. The establishment of this home is one of the grandest and noblest enterprises yet undertaken by our organization. It is entirely under control of and owned by the Woman's Relief Corps. The property was legally transferred to the National Organization on the 17th of July, 1890.

Corps have donated liberally but much is needed yet to supply the real necessities and comforts. The money appropriated by the National Convention will only pay the running expenses of the Home for the current year. If each Corps would contribute a small amount it would enable the Board to pay off the indebtedness assumed in order to prepare the Home for immediate occupancy.

We feel confident by the generous donations already given that Corps will deem it a sweet and sacred privilege to contribute their mite. It should be our proud duty to aid and cheer those that deserve our care and reverence.

All contributions in money should be sent, through the Department Treasurer that each Corps may receive due credit. The following donations have been reported since date of General Order No. 8:

Corps, No. 137, Moses Herron, toweling valued at 90 cents.

Corps, No. 18, Farragut, \$10.00.

Corps, No. 22, Burnside, articles valued at \$3.40.

Corps, No. 43, Joseph R. Gordon, one bed comfort valued at \$3.00.

Corps, No. 56, S. K. Harryman, one quilt valued at \$4.00.

Corps, No. 15, Elmer, one pair pillows valued at \$2.50.

Corps, No. 3, Gen. Canby, cash \$2.00.

Attention is called to the the circular recently issued announcing the publication of "The Guard," a new paper devoted to the Woman's Relief Corps, of Indiana. It is edited by our Department Treasurer, Mrs. Julia Conklin, and no effort will be spared to make the paper a success, and if properly supported will be a great power for good to the Order.

If each Corps President would act as a corresponding secretary or appoint some one to that office, whose duty it shall be to report to the editor of "The Guard" all items of interest connected with the work, it will not only add to the interest of the paper but will create among the members an interest hitherto unknown.

The following new Corps have been instituted since last report:

Chickamauga, No. 144, at Kirklin, instituted Oct. 20th; President, Kate Beem.

V. H. Lyons, No. 145, at Plainfield, instituted Oct. 21st; President, Anna M. Hadley.

Morgan, No. 146, at Petersburg, instituted Nov. 13th; President, Elizabeth F. Reed.

Spicely, No. 147, at Orleans, instituted Nov. 21st; President, Marie J. Spicely.

Andrews, No. 148, at Andrews, instituted Dec. 20th; President, Jennie Forbes.

Worden, No. 149, at Albion, instituted Jan. 7th, 1891; President, Ella Miller.

We extend to the new Corps our cordial greetings and welcome them into the Sisterhood of our organization.

We deeply regret that our official correspondence with the officers of 1890, which has been so pleasant, is closed. Let us thank you for your kind support. To the officers of 1891 we extend our greetings.

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NOBLESVILLE, IND., MARCH 3rd, 1891.

GENERAL ORDER,  
NO. 10.

It is with bowed heads that we are called upon to make formal announcement of the death of General William Tecumseh Sherman, an honored member of the Grand Army of



the Republic, and the last of the three great heroes of the war. He truly said "We cannot expect to tarry long to enjoy the fruits of our labor."

One day prior to the death of General Sherman, Admiral David Dixon Porter, of the United States Navy answered the last roll call and is now numbered with the Grand Army beyond. Their work is finished.

"The silent boatman comes with muffled oars and one by one they pass away."

"Heroes, no more shall the battle cry waken,

Never shall wars with their fury and din

Call you to arms for the struggle is ended;

You did the glorious victory win.

Peacefully sleep 'neath the banner and flowers,

Music so sweet shall in cadence arise;

Rest till the morn, ye cannot be forgotten.

Sleep till God's trumpets shall sound through the skies."

As a mark of respect to their memory which we cherish and revere, and to the noble order of which they were members, it is fitting that we, the members of the Woman's Relief Corps, should unite with the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, in their expressions of sorrow and mourning.

Therefore in recognition of the faithful services to their country, we earnestly request that every Corps in the Department comply with General Order No. 6 of the National President, that charters be draped for thirty days and special service held "commemorative of the lives of these renowned comrades.

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NOBLESVILLE, IND., MARCH 11TH, 1891.

GENERAL ORDER,  
No. 11.

The Eighth Annual Convention Department of Indiana Woman's Relief Corps will be held at Indianapolis, Wednesday and Thursday, the 8th and 9th of April in Y. M. C. A. Hall, North Illinois street.

Headquarters will be established at the New Denison Hotel.

The Department Council is hereby called upon to meet at Headquarters Wednesday the 8th at three P. M. Every member of the Council is requested to be present as important business is to be transacted.

The Executive Board will also meet at Headquarters on the same day at two P. M.

Convention will be called to order promptly at 9:30 A. M., Wednesday, the 8th, and it is expected that all the officers and delegates will be in their places at that hour and will devote themselves to business from the opening until closing of Convention. Loyalty to our cause demands this.

The following committee on credentials is appointed: Mary A. Boyd Department Secretary, Belle Bristow, Department Instituting and Installing officer, and Nettie Ransford.

This committee will meet at the room of the Chairman on Tuesday, the 7th, at seven P. M., also on Wednesday at 8:30 A. M. at the Y. M. C. A. Hall, thus giving the Chairman of delegations time to report and procure badges before the opening of Convention.

The Local Executive Committee on Hall, Hotel and Boarding is as follows: Juliet R. Wood, Jennie Miller, Mina Ally, Sally Highland, Amanda Jones, Columbia Kercheval.

Members wishing to procure lodging will address the Chairman, Juliet R. Wood, 24 South Illinois St., Indianapolis.

Each Corps President is referred to Article 2, Page 13, Rules and Regulations in regard to those who are entitled to represent them in Convention and should compare her list with it. The Eighth National Convention having discontinued the use of credential cards, the Election Returns are the only credentials required. Any change in the delegation should be reported to Department Headquarters.

Corps organized since Jan. 1st will be represented by the President, only, or in her absence, by Senior or Junior Vice, in order of their rank. It is important that every Corps be represented, as much benefit is derived from a thorough acquaintance with the proceedings of these Department Conventions.

All members of the order will be accorded a hearty welcome to the convention and by their presence will manifest their interest in the work. Rules and Regulations require that all members must wear badges unless excused by the Convention.

The books of the Department Treasurer will be closed March 28th. Orders received after that date will be filed for her successor. Corps Presidents are requested to cancel their Corps indebtedness to the Department Treasurer before she closes her books.

Quarterly Report blanks for the first quarter ending March 31st, 1891, will be forwarded from these Headquarters, but must be returned to the new Department Officers, in accordance with General Orders No. 1 of the incoming administration.

Department Officers are expected to make written reports to the Convention. Badges or Service Books must be brought or sent to the Convention, as they are the property of the Department and revert with office.

In order to expediate business it is requested that all questions, petitions and resolutions be reduced to writing and be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

The Department Commander announces in General Order No. 15, that a half rate has been secured for Comrades and their friends, tickets good from April 6th to 10th. For further information inquire of Post Commanders.

An informal reception will be held in the parlors of the New Denison on Wednesday evening, April 8th, to which all members of the Grand Army, Woman's Relief Corps and their friends are cordially invited.

An invitation has been extended to the National President, Mary Sears McHenry to honor us with her presence.

Thirty-one Corps have responded to the call for donations to the W. R. C. Home. The following is a complete list:

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	DONATION.
24	Chaplain Brown.....	Valparaiso.....	articles valued .....\$20 00
66	Warren Banta.....	Liberty Mills.....	" " ..... 5 50
20	Geo. H. Thomas.....	Indianapolis.....	" " ..... 28 25
32	Howell.....	Goshen.....	" " ..... 5 00
137	Moses Herron.....	Farmland.....	" " ..... 90
18	Farragut.....	Evansville.....	cash ..... 10 00
22	Burnside.....	Attica.....	articles valued ..... 3 40
43	Jos. R. Gordon.....	Indianapolis.....	" " ..... 3 00
56	S. K. Harryman.....	Mooreville.....	" " ..... 4 00
15	Elmer.....	Elkhart.....	" " ..... 2 50
3	Gen. Canby.....	Brazil.....	cash ..... 2 00
73	Boone.....	Zionsville.....	articles valued ..... 15 00
105	Stillwell.....	Colfax.....	" " ..... 3 00
108	Put Evans.....	Sharpsville.....	" " ..... 1 05
70	Maj. May.....	Anderson.....	cash ..... 2 00
136	Lot Bloomfield.....	Hammond.....	" " ..... 2 00
136	Lot Bloomfield.....	Hammond.....	articles valued ..... 5 00
72	Lookout.....	Noblesville.....	cash ..... 5 00
138	Johnson.....	Montpelier.....	articles valued ..... 10 00
81	Fahler.....	Star City.....	" " ..... 5 00
48	Deacon.....	New Carlisle.....	" " ..... 4 00
58	Judson Kilpatrick.....	Fremont.....	" " ..... 4 00
83	John Wheeler.....	Crown Point.....	" " ..... 10 00
126	Goodland.....	Goodland.....	" " ..... 35 00
60	Duvall.....	Liberty.....	cash ..... 5 00
115	Leslie.....	Seelyville.....	" " ..... 1 00
41	Sam Henry.....	Decatur.....	" " ..... 2 00

39	Rensselaer .....	Rensselaer .....	cash .....	3 00
120	Benton .....	Fowler .....	" .....	1 00
19	John Logan .....	North Manchester .....	" .....	3 00
25	Connersville .....	Connersville .....	" .....	2 00
76	Major Patton .....	Vevay .....	" .....	4 70

As President of this Department I cannot refrain through this, my last General Order, to extend to every individual Corps member and especially the Presidents, my heartfelt thanks, and gratitude for prompt actions and hearty support that has been given me and my associate officers.

We also tender the Comrades of the various Posts throughout the State our grateful thanks for their loyal support, their strong helpful advice and encouragement given our members and ourselves.

I shall never cease to be thankful that this trust was for a time committed to my keeping. The remembrance will stay with me making life brighter and better for the experience. May the Giver of all good prosper our noble order and remain its Guard and Guide in the future stretching out before us.

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## DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

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HATTIE BUCHANAN.....Marion.

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MARY A. BOYD.....Noblesville.

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IDA MCPRIDE.....Waterloo.

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BELLE BRISTOW.....Indianapolis.

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Ella Zinn.....Indianapolis.

Hannah A. Johnson.....Kokomo.

Rachel C. Kenyon.....Westfield.

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MARIA SCHLATER.....Richmond.

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J. E. Nelson.....Mt. Vernon.

Fannie Wallace.....Vincennes.

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Lizzie Hurst.....Frankfort.

Anna Heward.....Star City.

Mary J. Wisner.....Bluffton.

Helen Ensley.....Auburn.

Hattie Armstrong.....Plymouth.



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